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A benefit account has been opened at Hancock Bank to help pay medical bills for cancer patient Leticia Dedeaux. Donations may be made at any Hancock Bank branch to account number 012438518.

Benefit wake for Clyde Parsons

There will be a benefit at Jus' Rubies on Hwy. 90 today, Sunday, beginning at noon, to help pay funeral expenses for Clyde "Baby" Parsons. The event will feature live bands and other entertainment.

St. Paul Elem. adds pre-K class

St. Paul Catholic Elementary School, Pass Christian, will be adding a new pre-Kindergarten program in the upcoming 2001-02 school year.

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Buzzed off!



Glen Gueho makes sure the seal is tight on a bucket of bees that he vacuumed from between the walls at Waveland City Hall Annex on Friday. The remaining bees will follow the bucket.

Waveland city annex breaking out in hives

BY BENNIE
SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

It's springtime and the bees are buzzing and the flowers are blooming. Unfortunately for the people at the Waveland City Hall Annex, the bees are also swarming — about 35,000 of them in the wall of the building on Coleman Ave.

City employees said they first noticed the swarm yesterday afternoon, collecting on the

side of the building. "It looked like a black cloud," said purchasing agent, Rachel Lafontaine. City Secretary Lisa Planchard said they decided to call an exterminator but found out when he arrived that their swarm was honey bees, which are the state insect and a protected species in Mississippi. The exterminator tried caulking up the hole in

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A hive of 35,000 bees hovers in the walls of Waveland City Hall Annex building on Friday before they are vacuumed into a bucket for relocation.

Debate rages on beach obstacles

Ladner eases
regs requiring
mailbox move



BY ED LEPOMA
Staff Writer

District 1 Supervisor Jeep Ladner says Hancock County plans to accommodate those residents of South Beach Boulevard who have mailboxes on the county right-of-way.

Ladner said he has gotten a number of calls from concerned beachfront property owners since city attorney Gerald Gex sent out letters to 34 citizens in mid-February informing them the county planned to enforce a law that's been on the books since 1927. That

"If someone gets killed or hurt running into a mailbox or some other thing that's in the way along the road, they might go after the property owner first, but they'll also come after us."
— Jeep Ladner, Hancock County Supervisor

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Wetlands ruling a slippery slope

BY ED LEPOMA
Staff Writer

Real estate developers, politicians, attorneys and owners of large tracts of land are drawing different meaning from a recent U.S. Supreme Court ruling regarding jurisdiction over wetlands.

The National Home Builders Association called the January 9 ruling by the high court, "A major legal victory for home

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Judge shoots down restraining order against jail, allows suit to continue

BY GEOFF BELCHER
News Editor

Hancock Chancery Court Judge J.N. Randall last week denied Jeff L. Nancarvis's request for a temporary restraining order against the sheriff's office, but ruled the man's suit against the city of Bay St. Louis, Hancock County Board of Supervisors and the sheriff could continue.

The Readers' Digest version is, the judge is disallowing the (restraining order), but

will allow them to produce evidence and a claim for damages," attorney Ronnie Artigues, representing the county in the matter, said Friday.



Nancarvis

Nancarvis filed the motion for the restraining order as well as for permanent injunction and damages on March 6, after more than three years of complaining to both county and city officials that practices at the Hancock County Justice Facility's vehicle maintenance center was damaging

his historic home at 125 Railroad Ave.

On Feb. 20, Nancarvis attended a city council meeting where, according to the complaint, "he was informed that the council could do nothing to correct the nuisance and that (he) should file a nuisance suit."

In the action filed on his behalf by attorney Dean Wilson, Nancarvis asked the chancery court to enjoin the sheriff's office from continued use of the maintenance facility; and to

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Sheriff's administrator Ronnie Cuevas, right, Chancery Judge J.N. Randall and attorney Ronnie Artigues examine the site at the sheriff's vehicle maintenance center where neighbor Jeff Nancarvis claims powerful chemicals and solvents are dumped.

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Children of the Sun



Coast Episcopal School students Tavish Kelly, left, Clinton Wallace, Max Webster, Will Pelleteri, Gunduza Yavuzer, Kyle Sjoström and Kyle Killen display their painting of the sun Thursday behind Flying Cups & Saucers Coffee Bar and Deterium Emporium Art Gallery, owned by Max's parents, Sherrye and Kevin Webster. The sun is only part of the students' ongoing projects leading to their April 21 Earth Day Celebration, which is being planned to inform both students and their parents about the environment.

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...siding to keep the bees out the walls, with no luck. "That solution never works," said beekeeper, Glen Gueho of the Nature Center. "Once the scouts have moved the queen, they are going to move in, and once the queen is in, nothing gets rid of the bees except moving the queen." That is just what Gueho was preparing to do on Friday. Gueho, who has been keeping and relocating bees for 40 years, said he has never been stung. "I just talk to the bees to

keep them calm," he said. He took no chances on Friday, however and suited up in full gear before ascending the ladder to cut a hole in the outer wall of the annex building.

"What I'm going to do is vacuum up the biggest majority of the hive, including the queen, into a bucket and the rest of the hive will surround the hive and follow," said Gueho. "Then I will bring them to the Nature Center (in New Orleans) or to my farm in Saucier." Gueho specializes in honey

bees for the production of honey and in the removal and relocation of hives to a natural setting. The honey bees at the annex are Three-Banded Golden Italians, he said, and the hive probably numbered around 35,000. Gueho pulled out several pieces of honey comb that the bees had produced since yesterday. If left unchecked, the queen would produce about 2,000 eggs a day, he said.

Jail -- suit

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...quire the city to enforce building codes and zoning ordinances related to the center. Nancarvis bought the home, constructed by the railroad company in the late 1800s and moved on the National Historic Registry, in 1996 at a foreclosure sale. He then went to work storing it. The next year, then-Sheriff Ann Marie Peterson told him that building under construction next to the house was to be used for storage only, but according to the suit, it was used as a vehicle and equipment maintenance center well. Nancarvis complained both appearances before the Bay St. Louis council and in the request for the restraining order that paint and solvent fumes, as well as drainage and run-off, were endangering the environment.

In addition, Nancarvis said

the problem has caused "two ... oak trees to die, and has forced (him) from his residence at least 40 percent of the time during the last 2-plus years" and caused him to "suffer a loss of enjoyment of his residence and to suffer emotional, physical and mental distress, and has caused (him) to lose value in his property."

Although both his property and that on which the vehicle maintenance center exists are zoned as C-1 commercial property, Nancarvis argued that such a facility is only allowed in a C-3 zone or in an industrial

zone area.

On March 16, Randall met with Nancarvis, Bay St. Louis Mayor Eddie Favre, Hancock County Sheriff's Department administrator Ronnie Cuevas and attorneys to view the site, then delayed his opinion until last week.

"I presume our next step will be, we will conduct an investigation, and once discovery is complete, we will have a hearing on their claim," Artigues said.

Nancarvis was unavailable for comment Friday.

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Hurricane-proofing in the Pass

BY ED LEPOMA
Staff Writer

The city of Pass Christian will seek more federal and state funds to make four more buildings disaster-proof.

The Board of Aldermen recently approved Mayor Billy McDonald's recommendations to amend the city's on-going Hazardous Mitigation Grant Program in order to retrofit City Hall, the public library directly behind city hall and areas of the old middle school on Clark Ave., where city archives and police evidence storage rooms are housed and where youth and senior activities take place.

In January, city officials announced the completion of upgrades to the city's police and fire stations to make them more hurricane-resistant and safer shelters for those who use the buildings during hurricanes and other natural disasters. Those buildings were upgraded using a \$100,000 Mitigation Grant funneled through the Mississippi Emergency

Management Agency. The city also provided in-kind services and federal funds to improve a major drainage ditch in the Belle Rose subdivision to relieve flooding.

Local architect Kevin Fitzpatrick was asked to look over the buildings cited for the latest round of funding and estimate the cost of upgrades. Consultant Eddie Bigelow submitted the grant application for the city.

Because facilities such as the city hall and the library and storage facilities are not eligible for a Community Development Block Grant, the city is requesting 75 percent in Hazardous Mitigation Grant Funds for those projects and will provide the 25 percent match from its general fund budget.

Fitzpatrick said a particular concern is the fact that the City Hall faces the Municipal Harbor and the Mississippi Sound and is unprotected from hurricane-force winds. He said his review of the building showed it was constructed "soundly enough to withstand winds," but the windows are not.

"In the event of a hurricane,

city work crews are required to install plywood panels over the windows, a time-consuming exercise when crews could be utilized in other areas preparing for the emergency," he said.

Noting City Hall was located in the historic district, he recommended installing fixed louvered traditional shutters for all windows. Estimated cost is \$17,000 with federal funds requested amounting to \$12,750 and the city putting up \$4,250.

The Library is located immediately behind City Hall and is somewhat more protected, but Fitzpatrick said he recommended louvered aluminum replacement windows and installation of stronger exterior doors. Total cost: \$41,940, with \$31,455 federal funds requested and the city providing \$10,485.

At the Middle School, the city proposes a partnership of 55

percent federal funding and 45 percent state CBDG funding to retrofit the roof of the Boys and Girls Club and the Gym and the Senior Citizens Center, and to install new windows in those areas. The total cost would be \$236,905.

The city is requesting \$54,312 in federal funds to upgrade the archives area, and will use another \$18,104 in general fund money, and \$15,180.75 in federal funds for the police evidence storage area and \$5,070.25 in general funds towards the project.

If the city's federal and state applications are approved and the city puts up its match, the total cost of all the work is estimated at \$411,823.

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Arrest Record

Editor's note: The following is a list of arrests logged at the Hancock County Justice Facility from Feb. 1 through Feb. 7. Appearance on the jail log is not indicative of guilt, merely a record that an arrest has been made.

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- Joanie A. Smith, 10/1/59, DUI first.
- Steve Bernhard Jr., 3/6/82, disturbing the peace.
- Bronwin Ladner, 5/3/83, uttering forgery.
- James A. Reed, 9/6/81, suspended license.
- Todd Nichols, 12/13/83, contempt of court.
- Christopher J. Smith, 10/12/80, disturbance of family (domestic), simple assault, possession of paraphernalia.
- Lester W. Foxworth, 6/19/65, DUI first.
- Angela Boles, 12/7/73, DUI first.
- Reginald McCann, 11/19/57, possession of a controlled substance.
- Warren Lassabe, 7/8/64, DUI first.
- Darren Ray Jones, 10/30/64, prescription forgery.
- Julie C. Davidson, 7/13/63, DUI first.
- Phillip John Lenfant, 7/21/79, mittimus (time served in lieu of paying fine).
- Roxy A. Green, 2/27/74, contempt of court.
- Jerry J. Guidry, 1/29/65, DUI second.
- Danny R. Wagner, 11/21/65, contempt of court.
- Tony F. Garcia, 2/15/79, contempt of court.
- Jonathan James Lytle, 10/1/81, disorderly conduct.
- David M. Ladner, 7/22/59, DUI, contempt of court.
- Todd L. Renner, 8/14/72, DUI second, no license.
- Karen M. Schustz, 12/2/55, public intoxication.
- Faith Atwell, 12/31/57, public intoxication.
- James O'Neal Ahlman, 11/4/61, DUI.
- Carey Sahuque, 8/13/79, suspended license.
- Tracy L. Lowe, 5/31/82, contempt of court -- failure to pay fine.
- Timothy Yarborough, 7/10/71, trespassing.
- Andrea Page, 7/28/80, contempt of court -- failure to pay fine.
- Robert Sandoval, 9/20/69, public intoxication.
- Billy Ray Rester, 3/21/64, suspended license.
- Troy A. Galarza, 1/7/68, capias.
- Douglas Earl Vick, 6/22/58, public intoxication.
- Joseph F. Garcia, 2/1/83, simple assault (domestic).
- Vickie Cox, 6/10/75, petit larceny.
- Michael Musmeci, 7/13/61, simple assault.
- Bennie Brown, 6/10/72, no license.
- Rodney Willer, 11/27/48, simple assault (domestic).
- Sharon Lynn Konruff, 1/31/57, public intoxication.
- Kelley Ray Williams, 5/28/66, DUI first.
- Noel R. Gillan III, 5/23/80, DUI first.
- Marnie L. Fischer, 3/29/65, public intoxication, simple assault x 2, disturbance of business.
- Michael Menzelli, 10/8/66, simple possession of marijuana, disturbance of a business, public intoxication.
- Domingo A. Irias, 2/12/79, disorderly conduct, resisting arrest.
- Jerry Yazon Salinas, 5/17/75, escape, resisting arrest, DUI first.
- Paul Boudreaux, 8/22/69, simple assault.
- Cassie House, 10/24/77, contempt of court.
- Larry House, 10/31/72, contempt of court.
- Charlie Stroud, 2/16/79, aggravated assault.
- Clifton Pearson, 3/4/81, deer headlighting, hunting from a motor vehicle.
- Terrence Thomas, 9/4/82, contempt of court, possession of stolen property.
- William Quincy Willis Jr., 2/19/82, contempt of court, possession of stolen property.
- Jason W. Parker, 12/13/76, trespassing.
- Scott W. Schwes, 5/13/79, trespassing.
- Jarrett D. Hitchings, 12/6/81, trespassing.
- Anthony Cuevas, 8/14/67, shoplifting.
- Brock Godwin, 3/6/65, disorderly conduct.
- Scott Rossignol, 3/25/77, probation violation.
- Teresa J. Preston, 9/18/79, suspended license, no insurance.
- Thomas Lane, 3/11/61, probation violation.
- William Bennett, 8/25/71, three years to serve.
- William R. Montgomery, 10/16/57, burglary of auto.
- Michael W. Zoerner, 7/3/81, simple possession.

Beach -- obstacles

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resolution established a 60-foot county right-of-way along South Beach Boulevard that extends from Bayou Caddy to St. Charles Street within the Bay St. Louis city limits.

Ladner said most of the calls have been about mailboxes rather than the wooden posts and spikes or other obstacles that have been placed on outside lawns.

"We're going to ask them to take up the heavy posts or whatever they are now using to brace the mailboxes," said Ladner. "They will be allowed to put up a post (for their mailboxes) that collapses on impact. They can put them in the same place they are now."

Ladner said county road or seawall crews will also grade the area in front of mailboxes, and shovel up the sand, so mail delivery vehicles won't bog down in the deep, loose sand that regularly piles up along the north side of the paved, two-lane boulevard.

Ladner said the Board's decision to take back the right-of-way was not an indication it intended to three-lane Beach Boulevard.

"It's a liability question. And, it's been a liability question for years," said Ladner. "If someone gets killed or hurt running into a mailbox or some other thing that's in the way along the road, they might go after the property owner first, but they'll also come after us," said Ladner.

Ladner's compromise on the mailboxes came after a meeting Wednesday night of a group of South Beach property owners.

All admitted they have mailboxes and other obstacles on the county's right of way. But, they wonder what's the rush to remove them? And, they question whether Hancock County road crews can maintain the area fronting their homes as well as they have over the years.

Three residents of the Friendship Oaks beachfront condominiums and neighbor Russell Protti, who lives next door at 110 S. Beach Blvd., met, and Russell Voorhies, who lives at 138 S. Beach, also came to the meeting.

Harry and Jean McCall live in the blue and white-trimmed two-story condominium at 108 S. Beach Blvd. that sets the scale of the 33 other condo units in the attractive cluster development that fronts the beach just past Coleman Avenue to St. Joseph Street and extends a block back to Bourgeois Street. They have lived there for nine years, and have grown accustomed to the serene tranquility of the beachfront neighborhood and the beauty of the white sand beach.

The grassy area that the county claims is now their property is meticulously trimmed, and ropes linked to posts give the whole area a nautical tone.

Surveyor Jim Chiniche, whom the county hired to determine the extent of the county right-of-way, has placed little, yellow flags to stake out the area. The nautical roping is on county property, along with the McCall's mailbox, and even the Friendship Oaks condominium sign.

Jean McCall said she and her husband plan to abide by the county's decision and will

remove the posts and nautical roping, but she wondered about the oak trees.

"Two of my oaks are on what is now considered the right-of-way. What are they going to do, cut them down? I think that would be against the law," she said.

She said there was no immediate need to reclaim the land based on reports she heard the county wanted to put in a third lane, and use the present southernmost lane for more public parking.

"We've got ample parking on Coleman Avenue," said McCall. "There's hardly anybody there, except on three major holidays. Why expend money for more parking?"

Both McCalls expressed fears that a third lane will be a danger to children and seniors going to or coming from the beach.

Lonnie Moore lives in a condo in the rear of the complex, and is president of the Friendship Oaks Ownership Association. He seemed surprised by the county's renewed determination to take back the right-of-way.

"Where in the hell have they been for 75 years? They are committing political suicide," Moore warned.

He mentioned his organization was among those who recently defeated plans by Waveland Mayor Tommy Longo to construct a 400-slip marina and boat launch near Coleman Avenue on the beach.

Moore said if the 1927 law is applied to South Beach Boulevard, it must be enforced everywhere in the county where others might be encroaching on county property. "As I understand due process, it must be applied equally to everybody," said Moore.

"What has me upset is these people pay very high property taxes. They moved here knowing it, but they expect a little cushion of privacy from the traffic."

Moore agreed with the McCalls there was no immediate need for a third lane on South Beach to accommodate more parking.

He also said, "These people are beautifully maintaining what is now considered county property at their own expense. And, they're doing it better than the county can. Now, it's going to be at county expense."

Russell Protti, who lives next door to the McCalls at 110 South Beach, joked Moore must have been referring to him when he mentioned the law must be applied equally to all.

He said he has a mailbox and other obstacles on what is considered the county right-of-way, but he didn't get a letter from Gex.

Protti said he thinks supervisors committed a communications error by opting to inform citizens by letter.

"We have a communications problem" said Protti. "You shouldn't communicate through some targeted letter. We should have had a meeting. People are confused, angry and frustrated. There may be some merit in what they want to do. But, they (the supervisors) have an obligation to let their intentions be known."

Protti also questioned the

reasoning for putting a third lane on South Beach.

"This community has some very, very serious drainage problems," said Protti. "How can you prioritize spending for this? They (the supervisors) ought to be helping the city with its drainage problems."

Voorhies, who lives at 138 S. Beach Blvd., furnished letters he has written to Gex, and Bay St. Louis Post Master Jimmy Moore since receiving the official notification.

Voorhies wrote Moore to get advice on his options should he be forced to remove his mailbox.

"If I remove the mailbox from its current position back to the personal property line on Beach Blvd., the U.S. Postal Service will have to cross county right-of-way to gain access to the mailbox," Voorhies wrote.

"This access has a history of deep, loose sand. Many vehicles have become bogged down. Since this is county property, I do not have the right to modify the access. If this access is not properly maintained by Hancock County, according to U.S. Postal standards, will I be refused continued mail service to the property line placement of my mailbox?"

Moore told Voorhies he had two options: He could rent a post office box at the main branch, and have his mail delivered there. Or, he could move his mailbox to the side street, St. Joseph, and have his mail delivered there.

"That's fine for me. I'm on a corner lot," said Voorhies. "But, what about the people who are

in the middle of a block?"

In his letter to Gex, sent Feb. 22, Voorhies pointed out the U.S. Postal Service requires citizens to provide easy access to their mailboxes, and "if they are unable to gain access to the mailbox, they will refuse to deliver the mail."

"Some of us living along Beach Boulevard have already been refused continued mail service because the county right-of-way is impassable.... If the Hancock Board of Supervisors is requesting removal of mailboxes to accommodate a right-of-way, are they willing to insure U.S. mail will continue to be delivered by maintaining the right-of-way in a manner acceptable to the U.S. Postal Service?"

Voorhies also asked Gex if the county "will maintain the cleanliness and neat appearance that the resident homeowners have maintained" along the county right-of-way?

Voorhies continued: "Will you insure the safety of our children and senior citizens crossing Beach Boulevard when parked vehicles impede proper observation of on-coming traffic? Will you strictly enforce the safety standards of not parking within 50 feet of an intersection?"

In his letter to property owners, Gex gave citizens 15 days from receipt of the letter to remove the obstructions, and if they can't comply to contact him. He said if someone were unable to remove the obstructions themselves, the county would make arrangements to have them removed.

Monotype exhibit at Depot

The public is invited to a Monotype Print Exhibit and reception sponsored by the Turquoise Turtle. Featured artists include Randy Arnest, Kathe Calhoun, Jeanne Gilman, Gail Molting and

Joseph Pearson. The reception will be held on Wednesday, March 28, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Bay St. Louis Train Depot. The exhibit will continue through April 6. For more information call 342-0324.

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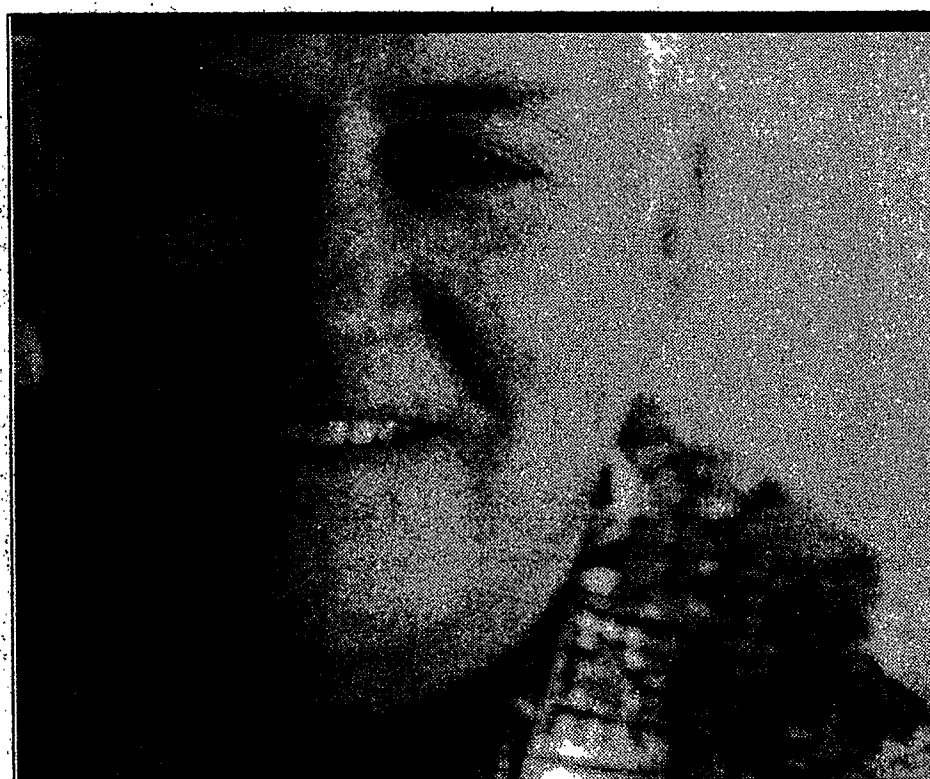
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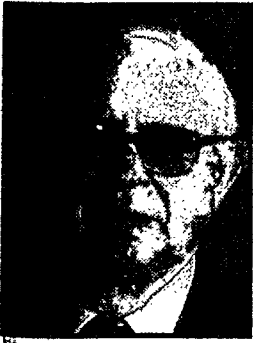


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OPINION

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Cuevas' Quotes

by Ellis C. Cuevas
Publisher Emeritus

Big things have come and some have gone over the years at the John C. Stennis Space Center in Hancock County, but it appears that bigger things are still to come in the years ahead.

Stennis' direct impact on Hancock County and within a 50-mile radius is still tremendous and will continue to grow from indications given by acting Director Mark Craig on Thursday.

The event was the Partners for Stennis-sponsored 2001 Community Leaders briefing held at the StennisSphere, Stennis Space Center's Visitor Center.

It was also the opening of three major new exhibits at the StennisSphere.

The direct economic impact within a 50-mile radius for 2000 was \$438 million. That is a lot of dollars and puts a lot of folks to work.

Currently there are some 4,800 folks working at the Stennis Space Center, and indications are that more will be added in the years to come with the projects coming on board.

On residency of the employment at Stennis, the 2000 distribution of personnel showed Pearl River County leading with 1,277, followed by Hancock County and St. Tammany Parish at 966, Harrison County 890, other Mississippi 168, other Louisiana 235, and other 56. The total employment at the end of 2000 was 4,558.

I think one of the big things is the educational accomplishments of the employees at Stennis. Just think, 6% have doctorate degrees, 18% master's degrees, 34% bachelor degrees, 9% associate degrees, 16% some college, 16% high school diplomas, and 1% other.

Job opportunities are tremendous at the test site right here at home. This is something that when I, along with my generation, had very slim pickings, as job opportunities were few and far between.

Millions are being spent right now at Stennis on construction of the Naval Small Craft Training Center, Propulsion Test Building and Lockheed Martin Propulsion, Thermal and Meteorology Center.

A big project on the horizon is the Space Base Laser Testing facility which is being debated, and this facility will cost some \$140 Million and is projected for completion in the year of 2005.

New projects and expanded operations means more job opportunities.

Everything appears to be moving along on the I-10 Visitors Center Attraction, which a foundation already has a survey being made on.

The new I-10 Visitors Center Attraction would also help by focusing on the things which are done at the space center.

The Gulf of Mexico Program, which is stationed at Stennis, is working to protect our waters in cooperation with local communities and agencies.

The new exhibit of the Gulf of Mexico Program is one of the new exhibits which has been completed at the StennisSphere and had a ribbon cutting on Thursday.

The presence of the Navy is ever increasing at Stennis and is really the largest employer at the center.

Rear Admiral Thomas Donaldson, V, Commander, Naval Meteorology and Oceanography Command, commented on how Mississippi is really a 'Navy State.' He mentioned that the survey ships used by the Navy are constructed at Moss Point, the CB Base in Gulfport, and all the Navy agencies at the Stennis Space Center make this a reality.

There are so many things going on at Stennis with NASA, the Naval Oceanography Office, Naval Research Laboratory, Office of Technology Transfer, NOAA Data Buoy Center, NOAA National Marine Fisheries Study, Gulf of Mexico Program, Department of Interior, Environmental Protection Agency, the Center of Higher Learning and University Research, and the many contractors, and this is just to mention a few things.

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Legislature, Governor's Office disagree about FY 2002

By Lt. Gov. Amy Tuck
As the 2001 Session nears its final days, I believe the people of Mississippi expect our legislative leaders to make unselfish, realistic decisions in providing for the services we all have come to expect from state government.

A serious disagreement has arisen between the Legislature and the Governor's Office concerning the Fiscal Year 2002 budget.

We all are seeking the same result - to provide for the people of our state. We just disagree on how to do that and at what cost.

The Legislature believes we must be realistic in our response to this economic downturn, but we should not over-react.

The plan recommended by the Joint Legislative Budget Committee already contains \$245 million in cuts for Fiscal Year 2002, which begins in July.

This plan has deeply stripped out equipment purchases, travel and other operating costs. We can adjust for lean operations.

But the next cuts would go beyond copy machines, vehicles and travel.

The next cuts are people. I do not believe we should cut vital services when conditions are not dire.

The next cuts would devastate and demoralize our educational programs at the K-12 level and in our community and junior colleges and universities - all of which will experience substantial revenue reductions under the Legislature's plan.

These next cuts supported by the Governor will eliminate essential programs from human services and mental health to Medicaid, public safety, health care and economic development.

These additional cuts would cripple state government across the board and threaten the very

integrity of public education, public health and public safety.

The Legislature would be irresponsible to take such extreme action, when we are not in a fiscal emergency.

Our budget professionals have worked very hard to give us their best advice on possible consequences of different courses of action. We are fortunate to have their experience, as well as the many years of valuable experience from our appropriations chairmen. They do not believe it is time to panic. I agree. Our state economy is still growing, just not as fast as we became accustomed to during the 1990s.

Economic good times and bad come in cycles. Experts tell us that Mississippi usually feels a downturn first and comes out of it first. And we have not factored in the positive effects from construction of the new Nissan plant in Madison County, possi-

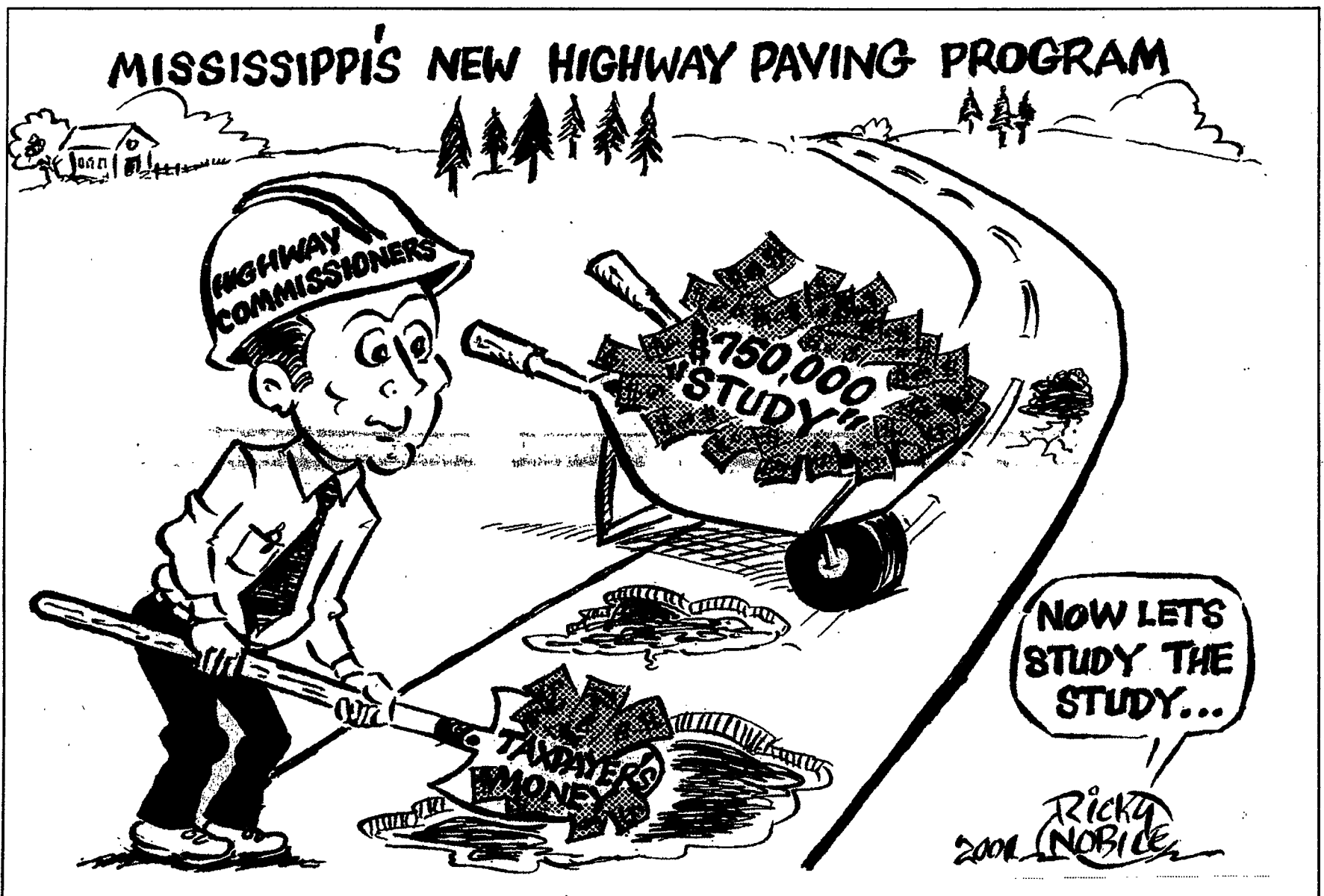
ble federal income tax cuts or reductions in interest rates made by the Federal Reserve Board.

Our budget professionals assure us that even if our state growth rate is no higher than 2.5 percent, we already have well-established budget "safety nets." If we have an opportunity to avoid unnecessarily harsh measures, we should.

If the 2002 budget revenue projection is reduced to 1 percent, as the Governor has urged, on top of 13.5 percent cuts already planned in the General Fund, an additional \$180 million will need to be cut from the Fiscal Year 2002 budget. If those cuts must come from personnel, that may translate into 3,000 jobs, which would mean reduced services to our people.

Our appropriations chairmen

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Letters to the Editor

A note from the Bay St. Louis Police Department.

Too many are illegally using parking spaces for the handicapped

Do you know what the international wheelchair symbol looks like? If you don't, you're not physically handicapped and don't have the sign on your license tag.

That means it is illegal for you to park your car in a parking space outlined in bright blue paint, identified with the wheelchair symbol and further identified by a bright blue sign that says, "Handicapped Parking Only."

Marked spaces for the handicapped are the best spaces in the parking lot or on the street. The special spaces are there for a reason, to give a small assistance to someone who has physical challenges.

It is not the job of local police to teach drivers to park a few spaces away from a store's front door.

It is their job to issue citations if the law is ignored and drivers park in a space for the

handicapped without having the proper credentials.

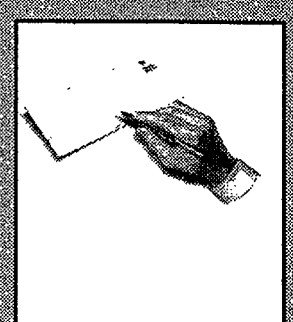
"Parking violations can cost you up to \$1,000 in fines and up to 90 days in jail, or both. Can you afford this loss? Doing the right thing costs you nothing and feels great," said Bay St. Louis Police Chief Frank McNeil.

"The City Council adopted Section 90-331 of our Code of Ordinances to reserve disabled parking spaces and to provide local law enforcement the ability to cite violators on public streets and private parking lots. We hope that enforcing the law will not be necessary and that our citizens and visitors will be courteous," he said.

For information about proper credentials for the handicapped, call the County Tax Assessor and Collector. This office is responsible for issuing the appropriate decals or license plates.

Our letters policy

The Sea Coast Echo welcomes comments from its readers. Letters must be signed and include address or telephone number. Letters should be brief, preferably typewritten and double-spaced. Only one letter per writer per month. The editor reserves the right to edit or reject letters. Letters of thanks, expressions of appreciation and political endorsements are inappropriate.



By State Auditor Phil Bryant SCHOOLS

Q May a school superintendent poll the board members on their votes prior to an actual meeting and take action based on the polling of the board?

A The Open Meetings Act prohibits a board of trustees of a school district from formulating public policy on matters within its jurisdiction by way of a conference call or a telephone poll conducted by a superintendent or another person.

A school superintendent may consult individual board members for advice and counsel on matters that fall within his or her duties as superintendent.

(Attorney General's opinion to Mayfield dated January 23, 2001).

Q May a school board authorize a peace officer to utilize radar detection devices as a method of internally monitoring the speed of school buses in accordance with its duty to care for property and secure safe transportation for students?

A A school district may utilize a radar-based device for monitoring the speed of school buses for safety measures and not for the purpose of enforcing the speed law.

(Attorney General's opinion to Grisby dated January 23, 2001).

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Community leaders gather at test site for briefing

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS
Publisher Emeritus

The Partners for Stennis sponsored a 2001 Community Leaders briefing Thursday which also included the opening of three major new exhibits at the StennisSphere.

Briefings were given at the StennisSphere auditorium by Mark Craig, acting director of the John C. Stennis Space Center; Rear Admiral Thomas Q. Donaldson, V, Commander, Naval Meteorology and Oceanography Command; and James D. Giattina, director of the Gulf of Mexico Program.

Unveiled were new interactive exhibits by the Gulf of Mexico Program, the Naval Research Laboratory, the U.S. EPA Environmental Chemistry Laboratory, the National Marine Fisheries Service, the National Data Buoy Center, and the U.S. Geological Survey.

Craig said the Stennis Space Center is a unique Federal City of some 4,800 employees from 30 federal, state, academic and private organizations, including the Naval Meteorology and Oceanography Command and the Naval Oceanographic Office.

"We have people coming here asking us how we do it. We share our services for the good of all of us, and we are growing," Craig added.

The foundation growth is really due to the 125,000-acre buffer zone, Craig said. He indicated Stennis is the only such facility in the nation.

In looking to the future, the test center's acting director touched on several new projects in the future.

Current and future construction includes the Naval Small Craft Training site now under construction. A \$6M Propulsion Operations Building, and Lockheed Martin's \$30M Propulsion, Thermal and Meteorology Center is under construction.

The Space Based Laser

Testing which was recently announced is new and in debate. That project would be a \$140M facility, and NASA is working with a site for it with a year of 2005 frame, Craig said.

He also mentioned a Rocket Based Combined Cycle Testing, a new technology facility with about an estimate of \$50M.

Craig placed emphasis on the I-10 Visitor's Center Attraction which could not be under federal ownership, but local leaders have set up a foundation to handle it, and is now in the marketing process and would be in a \$60M price range.

"That attraction is very exciting to us as it would highlight work at Stennis," Craig said. Craig reminded the audience that every U.S. Astronaut rides on rocket engines tested at the John C. Stennis Space Center.

Rear Admiral Donaldson referred Mississippi as being a Navy state. He said the eight ships the Navy uses around the world to survey the oceans were built in Moss Point, the CB Base Gulfport and all the Navy operations at the test site qualify Mississippi as being a "Navy State."

The ships, which are out of the Oceanography Office at Stennis, operate at a cost of \$100M a year. They spend 76 percent of their time out of port, and they do that every day.

Admiral Donaldson reminded

everyone that the largest collection of oceanographers in one place around the world is located at Stennis.

"You know the Navy's Super Computer at Stennis can compute three trillion computations a second," Donaldson said.

Giattina, director of the Gulf of Mexico program, in stressing the importance of the Gulf of Mexico said, "The Gulf leads the nation in oyster and shrimp production and is second only to Alaska in commercial fishing, this in addition recreational fish catches."

Giattina was complimentary of the cooperation and work by the Hancock County Board of Supervisors in working together to help improve waters in the Gulf. The Hancock County Waste Water District receives tremendous support and guidance from the Gulf of Mexico Program.

"All of our missions deal with the Gulf of Mexico on at least one or two levels," said Giattina.

"It was only natural that we come together to show what a valuable resource we have in the Gulf of Mexico," he added.

The StennisSphere, which opened Memorial Day, 2000, has had over 170,000 visitors from all 50 states and 36 countries who toured the facility.

An agreement between the Mississippi Development



Jeffrey Eberhart of Lockheed Martin's Technology Transfer Office explains communication capabilities at the space center.



On Thursday agency heads or their representative for EPA, Gulf of Mexico Program, Marine Fisheries, Data Buoy, NRL and USCG participated in the ribbon cutting at the entrance of their group exhibit at the StennisSphere at the John C. Stennis Space Center.

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The StennisSphere is really a visit everyone should make. All one has to do is stop by the Launch Pad next to the I-10 Welcome Center. You will be given a guided tour on a bus, and then you can see many of the operations at the test site at the StennisSphere.

I am sure this would be a thrill for children and even

grandchildren who may be visiting during the holidays or summer.

We have this great operation right here in Hancock County, and everyone should be aware of what goes on there and the big impact it has on our community and immediate area.

Lt. Governor

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and our budget professionals believe we can achieve our more conservative budget plans by the cost-cutting measures we already have established.

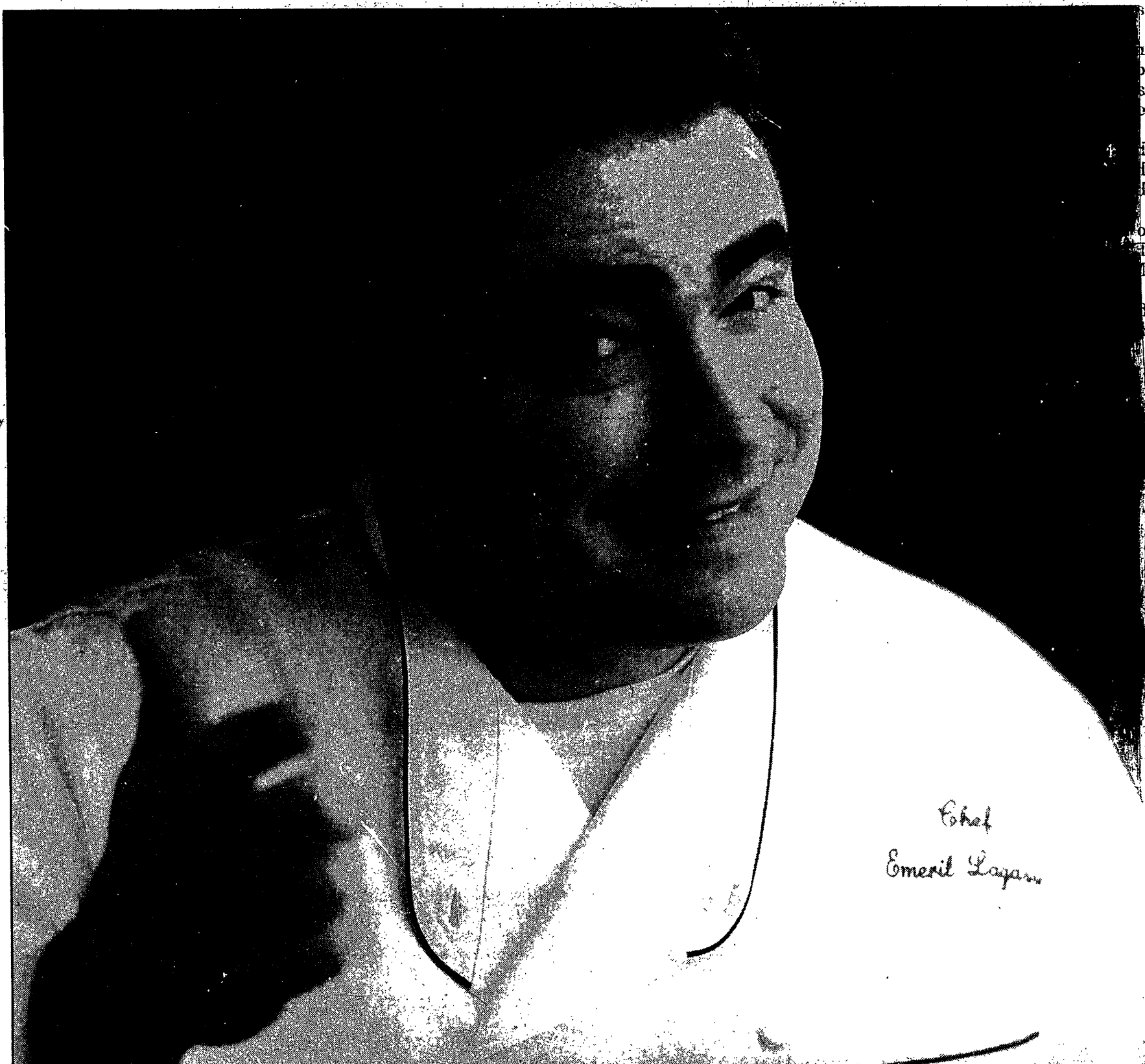
If conditions worsen, the Legislature will be back in session next January and can consider what additional measures to take.

I believe we must govern conservatively on the side of caution - especially when we are talking about people's lives.

I believe it is time to move forward with caution and reserve drastic measures only for when they are absolutely necessary.

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SPORTS

Diamondhead Tennis Committee prepares for Women's National Clay Court Championships

Diamondhead Tennis World is in gear and ready to go for the USTA Women's National Clay Court Championships April 2-8, 10 am to 5 p.m. each day.

"We're expecting 88 tennis-playing women to arrive next weekend with friends and companions to give tennis fans in the area a real treat," said Lisa Dickenson, tournament director.

"In the 60's age category we have the top seven seeds in the United States. Players are flying in from California, New York, the Midwest, Hawaii, everywhere. We even have one entry from Europe."

The Tennis Committee has completed much of its work - signing sponsors, housing players, recruiting volunteers, planning events and soliciting merchants for door prizes.

Platinum sponsors returning this year with their generous support of the tournament are the Hancock Bank, Beau Rivage, and Sysco, Inc.

"Housing arrangements have all been made," said Betty Miller, tournament chairman of Pass Christian. "The players can concentrate on the competition. There is a very strong field in the 60's and 70's divisions and in the 80's."

"The volunteers are very eager this year," said Christine Langevin of Diamondhead. "Many have returned year after year, and their work is very much appreciated by the players." In addition to the tennis matches, the three big events this year will be the Welcome Cocktail Party for the players at the Diamondhead Country Club, Monday April 2; Casino Night hosted by Beau Rivage, Tuesday April 3; and the Players' Dinner at the Diamondhead Country Club, Wednesday April 4.

"The players enjoy the competition, our 10 wonderful clay courts, and all the time that everyone puts in to make the tournament a success," said

Steve Garman, director of Tennis World at Diamondhead.

Linda Williams, Diamondhead, and Liz Wagner Maio, Bay St. Louis, attest to the generosity of the local merchants in both Diamondhead and the Bay.

"The members of the Diamondhead Business and Professional Association eagerly respond when we ask for donations of door prizes or gift certificates," said Linda. "I felt a strong sense of community support as I visited the shops, galleries, and restaurants in Bay St. Louis. The members of the Old Town Merchants Association really want to be in on it," said Maio.

The community is invited to attend the matches 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day, April 2-8, at Diamondhead Tennis World. There will be a drawing for a door prize each day about 2:30 p.m. You must be present to win. Call 255-5030 for information.



Members of the Tennis Committee are, seated from left, Lou Hall, Diamondhead; Betty Miller, tournament chairman, Pass Christian; and Lew DeLong, Diamondhead; standing, Christine Langevin, Howard Romagosa, Jinky Underwood, all of Diamondhead; Steve Garman, director of tennis, Diamondhead Tennis World; Lisa Dickenson, tournament director, Ocean Springs; Linda Williams, Diamondhead, and Liz Wagner Maio, Bay St. Louis. The public is invited to attend the tennis matches April 2-8 each day from 10 am to 5 p.m. Door prize drawing will be at 2:30 each day. You must be present to win. See your local merchants in Diamondhead or Old Town Bay St. Louis to obtain draw prize slip. (Photo by Deb DeLong)



TENNIS.update

PRCC splits in tennis

Pearl River Community College's Wildcats and Lady Wildcats split with arch-rival Mississippi Gulf Coast on its Jefferson Davis campus last Tuesday in South Division tennis action.

PRCC's men were defeated 5-4 and dropped to 2-3 overall, while the women won 5-4 and improved to 4-1.

In men's singles, Robert Brumfield (PRCC) defeated Matt DeAngelo (MGCCC) 6-1, 6-0; Matt Hoda (PRCC) defeat-

ed Cameron Mershaw (MGCCC) 6-4, 6-3; Tyler Rosen (MGCCC) defeated Kyle Williams (PRCC) 1-6, 6-3 (1); Ben LaFarg (MGCCC) defeated Ken Miller (PRCC) 2-6, 6-1 (8); Jonathan Gagnon (PRCC) defeated Charles Boggs (MGCCC) by default, and Joel Hebert (PRCC) defeated Leif Mollerson (MGCCC) 6-3, 6-0.

In men's doubles, DeAngelo-Rosen (MGCCC) defeated Brumfield-Hoda (PRCC) 8-0, LaFarg-Kershaw (MGCCC)

defeated Gagnon-Williams (PRCC) 8-4, and Miller-Scott Waites (PRCC) defeated Mollerson-Boggs (MGCCC) by default.

In women's singles, May Strickland (MGCCC) defeated Nicole Shepherd (PRCC) 6-2, 6-2; Jessica Olson (MGCCC) defeated Pamela Miller (PRCC) 7-5, 6-1; Ilene McCombs (PRCC) defeated Meghan Mason (MGCCC) 7-5, 6-2; Ashley Gaddy (MGCCC) defeated Michelle Creely (PRCC) 4-6, 6-4 (4); Leigh McCombs (PRCC) defeated Alison Ford (MGCCC) 6-2, 6-0; and Tannia McAtee (PRCC) defeated Krissy Gattis (MGCCC) 6-0, 6-1.

In women's doubles, Strickland-Olson (MGCCC) defeated Shepherd-Creely (PRCC) 8-6, Miller-Ilene McCombs (PRCC) defeated Ford-Gaddy (MGCCC) 8-3, and Leigh McCombs-Leslie Miller (PRCC) defeated Mason-Chrissy Johnson (MGCCC) 8-2.

PRCC returns to action Monday when East Central visits with action beginning at 1:30 p.m.

DWGA results

Diamondhead Women's Golf Association March 15 results are:

Championship Flight: first, Arlene Linn; second, Bonnie Rolfs

First Flight: first, Rose Stackhouse; second, Neuva Sears.

Tennis tournament winners announced

Diamondhead Mardi Gras Mambo N.T.R.P. tennis tournament was the weekend of Feb. 18 and 19.

Results are:

Women's 4.0 singles, winner - Stacey Kuhlmann, Biloxi

Women's 4.0 doubles, winner - Anna Albritton, Starkville and Amy Tate, Starkville

Women's 4.0 doubles, finalist - Kris Beddoe, Diamondhead and Cathy Kessler, Diamondhead

Women's 4.0 doubles consolation winner - Beth Matthews, Gulfport and Vickie McCollister, Diamondhead

Women's 3.5 singles, winner - Deborah Shipley, Baton Rouge

Women's 3.0 doubles, winner - Liz Bell, Gulfport and Suzette Carlson, Gulfport

Mixed Combo 7.5, winner - Lisa and Michael Dickinson, Ocean Springs

Mixed Combo 6.5, winner - Liz and Charles Bell, Gulfport

Mixed Combo 5.5, winner - Kathy and Kevin Stevens, Ocean Springs

Men's Open singles, winner - Steve Garman, Ocean Springs

Men's Open singles, finalist - Chris Pasth, Gulfport

Men's Open singles, consolation winner - Don Shipley, Baton Rouge

Men's 4.0 singles, winner - Brett Heitzmann, Bay St. Louis

Men's 3.5 singles, winner - James Stewart, Houma

Men's 3.5 singles, finalist - Rick Breland, Gulfport

Men's 3.5 singles, consolation winner - Bob Blount, Gulfport

Men's 3.5 doubles, winner - James Stewart, Houma and James Knox, Houma

Men's 3.0 singles, winner - Bud Mevers, Bay St. Louis

Men's 3.0 singles, finalist - Ray Glenn, Saucier

Men's 3.0 singles, consolation winner - John Scanlon, Bay St. Louis

Men's 3.0 doubles, winner - Charles Bell, Gulfport and Archie Reeves, Gulfport

PRCC kicks off spring football workouts

A new era of football begins Monday at Pearl River Community College with the start of spring drills. New head football coach Scott Maxfield welcomes 46 candidates, including lettermen from last year's 4-6 team as well as mid-term transfers and walk-ons. The Wildcats have four weeks to get in 20 practice sessions.

"Our goals this spring will be to implement our offensive and defensive systems, and work on techniques with our players," said Maxfield. "We want our players to learn the practice tempo that we want, to learn how to practice hard and to learn the coaching style of our staff." Daily practice sessions will begin at 3:45 p.m. The public is invited to all workouts.

The Wildcats plan three scrimmages: Saturday, March 31 (1:30 p.m.), Saturday, April 7 (10 a.m.) and Friday, April 20 (6 p.m.).

The scrimmage on April 20 will be a special Wildcat Day, which will include a cookout at Dobie Holden Stadium for all Wildcat football fans.

Maxfield, 40, offensive coordinator at Northwest Mississippi the past five seasons, was hired in December to replace Coach Keith Daniels, who died last October of a brain hemorrhage. Maxfield was the 1999 junior college Offensive Coordinator of the Year.

During his time at Northwest, the Rangers were an offensive powerhouse, establishing several national records. In 1999, the Rangers were 11-1, winning the Mississippi Association of Community and Junior College State Championship. Following the season, Maxfield was recognized by American Football Coach magazine as its junior college Offensive Coordinator of the Year.

In 2000, Northwest finished 10-0. The Rangers averaged 55.9 points per game, running a no-huddle offense.

His coaching staff at PRCC includes defensive coordinator William Jones, who will coach linebackers and defensive linemen; Buddy Stephens, who will coach the offensive line, and

Deke Adams, who will coach the secondary. Maxfield will be offensive coordinator and coach the skill positions. Adams is the only holdover from Daniels' staff.

"Coming in new, it's important that we have a very productive spring practice," said Maxfield. "I feel good about our offensive line with three starters returning. And we have pretty good depth on the defensive line, which is always a concern for any team. The question marks right now are overall team speed and our ability to throw and catch the ball in my offensive system. Those are things that we need to find out if we are capable of doing."

Maxfield announced two more signings. They are tight end-defensive end Robert Williams of Prentiss High School and defensive end James Atkins of Hattiesburg High School. They bring the total of signees to 24.

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BASEBALL.update

Wildcats split with Alabama Southern

Pearl River Community College's Wildcats split with Alabama Southern last Saturday, rallying late to win the first game 8-6, but falling 2-0 in the nightcap.

PRCC dropped to 7-12 overall with the loss, while the Eagles are 19-6.

In the first game, things were scoreless for the first two innings, but Alabama Southern went up 1-0 in the top of the third when the Eagles cashed in on two walks and an RBI single by Kevin House. In the top of the fourth, Kenny Wells' RBI single and a sacrifice by Brent Cleveland put ASCC up 3-0.

Pearl River retaliated in the bottom of the frame when Mark Broom bashed a two-run homer, followed by back-to-back RBI doubles by Blake Munna and Kyle Wilks to put the Wildcats up 4-3. That lead was short lived, however, as ASCC's Matt Burgess opened the fifth with a solo homer, then a single, two hit batters, and an error gave

the Eagles a 5-4 edge. A walk pushed another run home to make it 6-4 after 5 1/2.

A four-run rally by the Wildcats in the bottom of the sixth iced the victory. Three straight walks loaded the bases, then an error tied it up at 6-6. Justin Byrd followed with an RBI single, then Eric Adkins cracked an RBI double to end the scoring.

Josh O'Flynn (2-0) picked up the win after relieving starter John Guarisco with two outs in the fifth. Jacob Ledkins (1-1) was the losing pitcher.

In the nightcap, things were scoreless for the first five innings, but ASCC loaded the bases in the top of the sixth with a walk and two singles, then scored its two runs off PRCC's only error of the game.

PRCC loaded the bases with two outs in the bottom of the third, but couldn't push a run home. The Wildcats left two runners stranded in the final inning.

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VERNON J. WINDHAM
JESSIE WHITE SR.

MARVIN L. BARKSDALE
 Marvin L. Barksdale, 70, of Pass Christian, died Friday, March 23, 2001, at Biloxi.

Mr. Barksdale was a past-president of the Pass Christian Chamber of Commerce, a former member of Pass Christian Isles Golf Club and Pass Christian Rotary Club. He was also the former owner of Barksdale Chevron Station in Pass Christian.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Washington Allen and Arlie Mae Mizzell Barksdale; and a brother, Lt. Donald Allen Barksdale.

Survivors include his wife, Joan Barksdale; a son, Allen Henry Barksdale, of Pass Christian; and a sister, Mollie Wargar, of Ft. Worth, Tx.

Funeral services will be private. The family prefers memorials to one's favorite charity. Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of arrangements.

JESSE BREWER

Jesse James Brewer, 69, of Brooklyn, Miss., died Wednesday, March 21, 2001, in Brooklyn.

Mr. Brewer was a native of Mississippi and was a route salesman for Jackson Cookies.

Survivors include his wife, Juanice Dickens Brewer of Brooklyn; a son, William Brewer of Gulfport; four daughters, Diane Smith of Picayune, Barbara Willis of Pass Christian and Theresa Davenport and

Jessie Marie Branch, both of Gulfport; three stepsons, Frank Bounds, Danny Bounds and Steve Bounds, all of Hattiesburg; three stepdaughters, Sandra Lott, Tammy Gros and Patricia Houseman, all of Hattiesburg; three brothers, Julius Brewer, Clyde Brewer and Oscar Brewer, all of Gulfport; four sisters, Elaine Odom of Poplarville, Ailene Smith of Waveland and Bonnie Jean Thompson and Betty Lou Williams, both of Gulfport; 21 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted Friday at Jones Funeral Home chapel in Hattiesburg with burial in Grantham Cemetery.

BERTHA L. GEOFFREY

Bertha Louise Geoffrey, 82, of Bay St. Louis, died Friday, March 23, 2001, in Bay St. Louis.

She was a native of Kiln and a lifelong resident of Hancock County. She was of the Catholic faith and a member of Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church in Bay St. Louis.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Alfred J. and Marie Necaise Geoffrey; a sister, Laura Carpenter; and three brothers, Horace, Sidney and Alfred Geoffrey.

Survivors include a sister, Lucille Bourgeois of Bay St. Louis.

A prayer service was held yesterday at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis, with interment at the Garden of memory Cemetery.

FRANK RAY

Frank "Biggie Rat" Ray, 52, of Pass Christian, died Tuesday, March 20, 2001, in Gulfport.

Mr. Ray was a native of San Francisco and a longtime resi-

dent of Pass Christian. He was a graduate of Balboa High School and attended San Francisco Community College. He was employed as a longshoreman at the San Francisco Piers and as head supervisor for the kitchen and service area of a five-star hotel and restaurant. He was a member of Bethel AME Methodist Church in San Francisco.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Horace Ray and Dorothea Ray.

Survivors include his wife, Wanda Sylvia Ray of Pass Christian; two sons, Byron Thompson of Vacaville, Calif. and Eric Ray of Pass Christian; three daughters, Theresa Thompson, Niki Thompson and Tolana Ray, all of Pass Christian; a brother, Duane E. Ray of San Francisco; and nine grandchildren.

Services were conducted Saturday at Mount Zion United Methodist Church in DeLisle. Burial was in St. Stephen Cemetery in DeLisle.

J. T. Hall Funeral Home in Gulfport was in charge of arrangements.

EULA MAE STEPHENS

Eula Mae Adam Stephens, 77, of Bay St. Louis, died Thursday, March 22, 2001, in Bay St. Louis.

She was a native of Crowley, La., and a lifelong resident of Bay St. Louis. She was of the Catholic faith and a member of Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Raymond R. Stephens Sr.; two sons, Harry and Larry Stephens; parents, Emil F. and Eula Rose Suire Adam; two sisters, Thelma Mastic and Ramona Whitaker; and a brother, Clayton Adam.

Survivors include six sons, Jerry Stephens of Waldorf, Md., Barry Stephens of Ocean Springs, Gary Stephens of Bay

St. Louis, Perry Stephens of Ocean Springs, Raymond Stephens of Metairie, and Terry Stephens of Bay St. Louis; two brothers, Leroy Adam of New Orleans and Wilbert Adam of Waveland; 11 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be today from 7-9 p.m., with recitation of the rosary at 8 p.m. at the Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

A prayer service will be Monday at 10 a.m. at the funeral home chapel. Interment will be at the Gulf Coast Memorial Cemetery and Mausoleum.

SHEELAH A. TANGUIS

Sheelah Arceneaux Tanguis, 62, of Pass Christian, died Tuesday, March 20, 2001, in Louisiana. She was a native of Pass Christian and a resident of St. Bernard Parish for the past 35 years.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William Tanguis Sr.; parents, George and Thelma Byais Arceneaux; and two sisters, Merry Joy Ladner and Susan Fontenot.

Survivors include three sons, David, Michael and William Tanguis Jr.; three daughters, Tammy Sison, Patricia Arceneaux and Princess Ruiz; a sister, Barbara Trainer; two brothers, John Danko and Louis Arceneaux; 16 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

She was buried Saturday at Live Oak Cemetery in Bay St. Louis. Edmond Fahey Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

VERNON J. WINDHAM

Vernon J. Windham, 85, of Pass Christian, died Tuesday, March 20, 2001, in Pass Christian.

Mr. Windham was born in New Orleans. He grew up in Pass Christian and attended Pass Christian High School. He served in the Army Air Force in

World War II primarily in the China, Burma, India Theater. He spent most of his professional life in Las Vegas. After returning to the Coast to retire, he was involved in the establishment of the gaming industry on the Coast. He was baptized and confirmed at Trinity Episcopal Church in Pass Christian where he was an active member until the end of his life.

He was preceded in death by a son, Richard Edgar Windham.

Survivors include his wife, Shirley Windham of Pass Christian; two sons, Rod Windham of Steamboat Springs, Colo. and David Paul Windham of the Los Angeles, Calif. area; and a grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday at Trinity Episcopal Church in Pass Christian. Interment was in Live Oak Cemetery in Pass Christian.

The family prefers memorials to Trinity Episcopal Church Building Fund, 125 Church Avenue, Pass Christian, MS 39571.

Bradford O'Keefe Funeral Home in Gulfport was in charge of arrangements.

JESSIE WHITE SR.

Jessie W. White, Sr., 90, of Pass Christian, died Sunday, March 18, 2001, in Biloxi.

Mr. White was born in Bayou La Batre, Ala. and retired from the U.S. Coast Guard after 27 years of service. He was retired from the Alamo Plaza Motel as maintenance and repair manager. He was a member of the Masonic Polar Star Lodge and Gulfport Scottish Rite. He was also a member of Woolmarket Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Warren W. and Sinderella Seward White; and two sisters, Beulah Finch and Florence Lee.

Survivors include his wife, Ethel M. White of Pass Christian; a son, Jesse W. White, Jr. of Fresno, Calif.; two daughters, Betty Jean Busek of Port Orchard, Wash., and Deborah McKay of Gulfport; 14 grandchildren, 30 great-grandchildren and 10 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday at Riemann Memorial Funeral Home Chapel in Gulfport. Burial was in Coalville Cemetery in Woolmarket.

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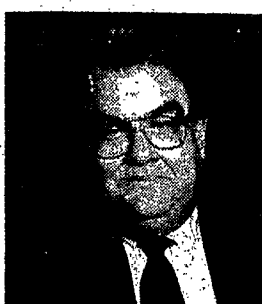
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Wetlands -- confusion ensues

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The Supreme Court ruled, "The Clean Water Act regulations do not extend to isolated wetlands."

NAHB President Robert Mitchell said, "By reversing the lower court decision on the regulation of isolated wetlands, the court has told the Army Corps of Engineers and the Environmental Protection Agency that regulating beyond what Congress intended under the Clean Water Act is illegal and likely unconstitutional."

"If federal agencies wish to regulate isolated wetlands or make other changes to the Act, they need to go to Congress and have the Act amended," said Mitchell. The high court's decision came in a case involving the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County, Illinois versus the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. The case originated when the Corps denied the request for a permit by a Solid Waste District in the Chicago metro area. The Corps refused to issue the permit because filing the isolated wetlands in question would have resulted in lost habitat, a decrease in migratory bird populations and diminished bird-watching opportunities, all of which would "substantially affect" interstate commerce.

The case subsequently worked its way through the U.S. federal court system, with Cook County losing in the Court of Appeals in October of 1999. However, the Solid Waste District and the NAHB -- filing a friend-of-the-court brief -- asked the Supreme Court to address the migratory bird test.

Mitchell said the ruling provides a definite answer to the question of whether a federal agency can restrict land use in any of the estimated 8.3 million acres of wetland in the U.S. not connected to a body of water simply because migrating birds can land on them.

In the 5-4 ruling, U.S. Supreme Court Chief Justice William Rehnquist noted, "Permitting the (government) to 'claim federal jurisdiction over ponds and mudflats' such as those in the Illinois case," would result in a significant impingement of the states' traditional and primary power over land and water use."

The ruling could have far-reaching impact in Hancock County, where most of the land south of Interstate 10 is considered wetlands and some areas in the north have "isolated wetlands."

Realtor Paul Seckso who has assembled quite a bit of property in southern Hancock County and who often ventures in putting together parcels of land for commercial development, hailed the ruling. "As a realtor, I'm happy as hell," said Seckso.

He pointed out the Corps stifled his plans to put together eight acres of land on Auder in Waveland when the state was looking for a tract of land on which to build community housing for 20 mildly retarded individuals. The homes were eventually built on McLaurin Street near St. Anthony because Seckso said the tract of land he was assembling was what is now considered an isolated wetland and he would have had to mitigate six-and-one-half acres. That would have required the developers to buy three-and-a-half acres in a mitigation bank for each of the six and one-half acres considered wetlands.

"That put us out of the ballpark," said Seckso. "That would have cost us about \$80,000."

Seckso said he thought the ruling, "will rock the real estate market here, since everything on Highway 90 and some areas of state Hwy. 603 contains isolated wetlands. "It is definitely

going to impact this community," he predicted.

Another developer, Robert Kane, said he doesn't think the Corps will give up jurisdiction without another court fight.

Kane, who also serves on the Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission said, "From what I understand after talking with the Corps, the ruling doesn't mean what it says."

He said he thought the "Corps would not relinquish control (over isolated wetlands) until they're sued again."

Waveland attorney Ronnie Artigues agrees.

"I think it's going to be tested on a case-by-case basis to determine what percentage of wetlands is not connected or drains into a waterway," said Artigues.

Waveland Mayor Tommy Longo said he doesn't think the ruling will affect the already-announced plans to expand Wal-Mart. About 42 of the 50 acres in the rear of the store where the expansion will take place, is considered isolated wetlands because Longo said it doesn't drain into any body of water. However, he said he understood Wal-Mart already has satisfied the Corps request to mitigate for land that will be filled in and affected, and he does not think it will now seek to reduce the mitigation.

Longo said he does not know what effect, if any, the ruling will have on the on-going plans by the Corps to develop an Environmental Impact Statement for the three coastal counties. Teri Wyly, a local attorney with Eaton and Cottrell who often advises Hancock County officials and casino interests on environmental law, furnished a copy of the memorandum, which fur-

ther interprets the Supreme Court's ruling. In effect, the memo explained, "In the 5-4 decision, the Supreme Court held that the Corps exceeded its statutory authority by asserting CWA jurisdiction over an abandoned sand and gravel pit in northern Illinois which provides habitat for migratory birds."

It explained, "The court's actual holding was narrowly limited to CWA regulation of non-navigable, isolated intrastate waters based solely on the use of such waters by migratory birds."

Based on the ruling, the EPA and the Corps were advised, "Field staff should no longer rely on the use of waters or wetlands as habitat by migratory birds as the sole basis for the assertion of regulatory jurisdiction under the CWA."

The memo noted the court's ruling "was strictly limited to waters that are non-navigable, isolated and intrastate."

"With respect to any waters that fall outside of that category, field staff should continue to exercise CWA jurisdiction to the full extent of their authority," the memo added.

The interpretation of the ruling gets further complicated later on in the memorandum.

One clause points out, "With respect to waters that are isolated, intrastate and non-navigable, jurisdiction may be possible if their use, degradation or destruction could affect other waters of the United States."

Clause two points out, "With respect to waters that, although isolated and intrastate, are navigable, jurisdiction may also be possible if their degradation, or destruction could affect interstate or foreign commerce."

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Grand opening

Cullen's Cottage, 546 Main Street, Bay St. Louis, celebrated its grand opening with a ribbon cutting Wednesday. The shop is a renovated 1940's cottage featuring a wide variety of antiques, collectibles, sports memorabilia, gifts, jewelry, pottery and artwork. Participants in the ribbon cutting included George Wright, Bay St. Louis Mayor Eddie Favre, owners Bernie and Terry Cullen, Margaret Hadden, John Baxter, Donald Brown, Herbert Dubbisson, Peggy Rutherford, Carleen Moran, Theresa Ricks and Helen Gaines. S



Ribbon cutting

Suzanne's Bakery, recently opened at 104 W. 2nd Street in Pass Christian, celebrated its grand opening with a ribbon cutting March 19 by the Gulf Coast and Pass Christian chambers of commerce. Donald Moore, alderman and chairman on the board of directors for the Pass Christian Chamber of Commerce filled in for Mayor Billy McDonald, who was unable to attend. Well over two dozen people were on hand to officially welcome Nenita and Steve Crayden's bakery to the Pass. Petits fours and beverages were served to all who attended. Suzanne's Bakery is open seven days a week and has cakes (sugar-free available) for all occasions, as well as donuts, assorted pastries and sugar-free brownies, cookies and muffins.

Credit union announces new board of directors

James L. "Sandy" Rogers, president and CEO of the Gulf Coast Community Federal Credit Union, announced the institution's 2001-2002 board of directors and officers were selected March 13 at the credit union's annual membership meeting.

Board members elected by the credit union membership and the officers elected by the board are Elmer Dickens, chairman; Roger Stuckey, vice-chairman; James Dewey, treasurer; Lionel Blum, secretary; and Adrian Swanier, Helen Walker, and James Ware, all board members.

Credit union board members are non-compensated volunteers elected by the credit union's membership to govern the institution for the members of the financial cooperative.

In keeping with the credit union philosophy of "one member-one vote," all members of the credit union are encouraged to attend and participate in the annual membership meeting, including the election of the board of directors.

Originally chartered in 1935, the \$45 million Gulf Coast Community Federal Credit Union is one of the 200 oldest federally-chartered financial cooperatives in the United States.

In July of 1999, the credit union was granted a community charter to serve anyone who

Davis retires

Slidell Memorial Hospital and Medical Center (SMH) recently honored five employees, among them Annie Ruth Davis, an LPN in Telemetry with 23 years of service.

Davis, family members and friends were in attendance as Slidell Memorial CEO Bob Hawley Jr. extolled their praise and thanked them for their many years of loyalty and service.

Davis is a native of Pearlington.

Business/industry, education summit focuses on future

Current and future needs of education and business/industry will be the focus of attention during Wednesday's day-long meeting at the Hattiesburg Lake Terrace Convention Center.

The Business/Industry and Education Summit, a Pearl River Community College initiative, brings community leaders together to begin a strong regional and statewide initiative to work together for the development of a better workforce.

"This conference represents a significant effort on the part of Pearl River Community College to bring the business and education leadership of our region together," said PRCC President William Lewis.

Participants will include CEO's, company presidents, plant managers, human resource or training directors of businesses and industry, education leaders (K-12 and post secondary), government agency leaders, elected officials and school board presidents. Some 250 participants are expected.

The summit begins at 9 a.m. and ends at 3:30 p.m. The morning session is designed to address the current and future needs of education and business/industry. It will end with a forum. The afternoon session will present strategies and solutions used by others.

The list of speakers during the morning session includes Willard Daggett, president of the International Center for Leadership in Education; Nancy Hawkins, under secretary for the U.S. Secretary of Labor; George Walker, president of the Mississippi State Board of Community and Junior Colleges; and Blake Wilson, a well known businessman and CEO in Mississippi.

Daggett's topic will be, "Academic Skills, Student Profiles and The Role of Business and Industry in the 21st Century." Hawkins' topic will be, "National Trends and Challenges for Work in the 21st Century." Walker and Wilson will address "Trends and Challenges for Work in the 21st Century in Mississippi."

The afternoon session will feature a panel presentation of

states. Representatives from Oklahoma, Maryland and Washington state will discuss how business/industry and education initiatives have produced successful changes.

The speakers include Oklahoma - Rich Ferrell, training coordinator, Charles Machine Works, Inc., Maryland - Michael Carey, executive dean of continuing education, Community College of Baltimore; Washington - Carver Gayton, Workforce Development.

Also speaking during the afternoon session will be Dan Hull, president and CEO of The Center for Occupational Research and Development; and Arnold Packer, executive director of the SCANS 2000 Center, who will discuss SCANS 2000, career transcripts, AES assessment scales and national occupation certification and potential solutions to workforce improvement.

A planning session will then take place where participants will be placed in a planning session led by the Public Forum Institute to address a written plan for the region. Daggett will then close the session with remarks.

The Business-Industry and Education Planning Committee for the summit is composed of economic and education leaders from all six counties in PRCC's district.

Chamber to publish magazine

The Hancock County Chamber of Commerce will publish a full-color tourist magazine this August entitled, "Images of Hancock County"

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Back in Time



Aerial school comes to the Coast

TEN YEARS AGO

March 24, 1991 - What makes a writer good? According to Dr. Stephen Ambrose, several things do, but one of the primary things that lends to a writer's success is his ability to tell a story well.

Ambrose - who is (among other things) a Bay St. Louis resident, a history professor at the University of New Orleans and noted author of several books (including multi-volume biographies of former presidents Dwight D. Eisenhower and Richard Nixon) - spoke about writing Monday to a group of students at Coast Episcopal High School.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

March 22, 1991 - The Mississippi Forestry Association offers rewards up to \$500 to individuals who supply information which leads to the arrest and conviction of persons who intentionally set forest fires.

T.W. Hickman Jr. of Brookhaven, association president, feels although dry weather, winds and carelessness have been responsible for the high incidence of forest fires this month, 'some fire have been deliberately set by arsonists.'

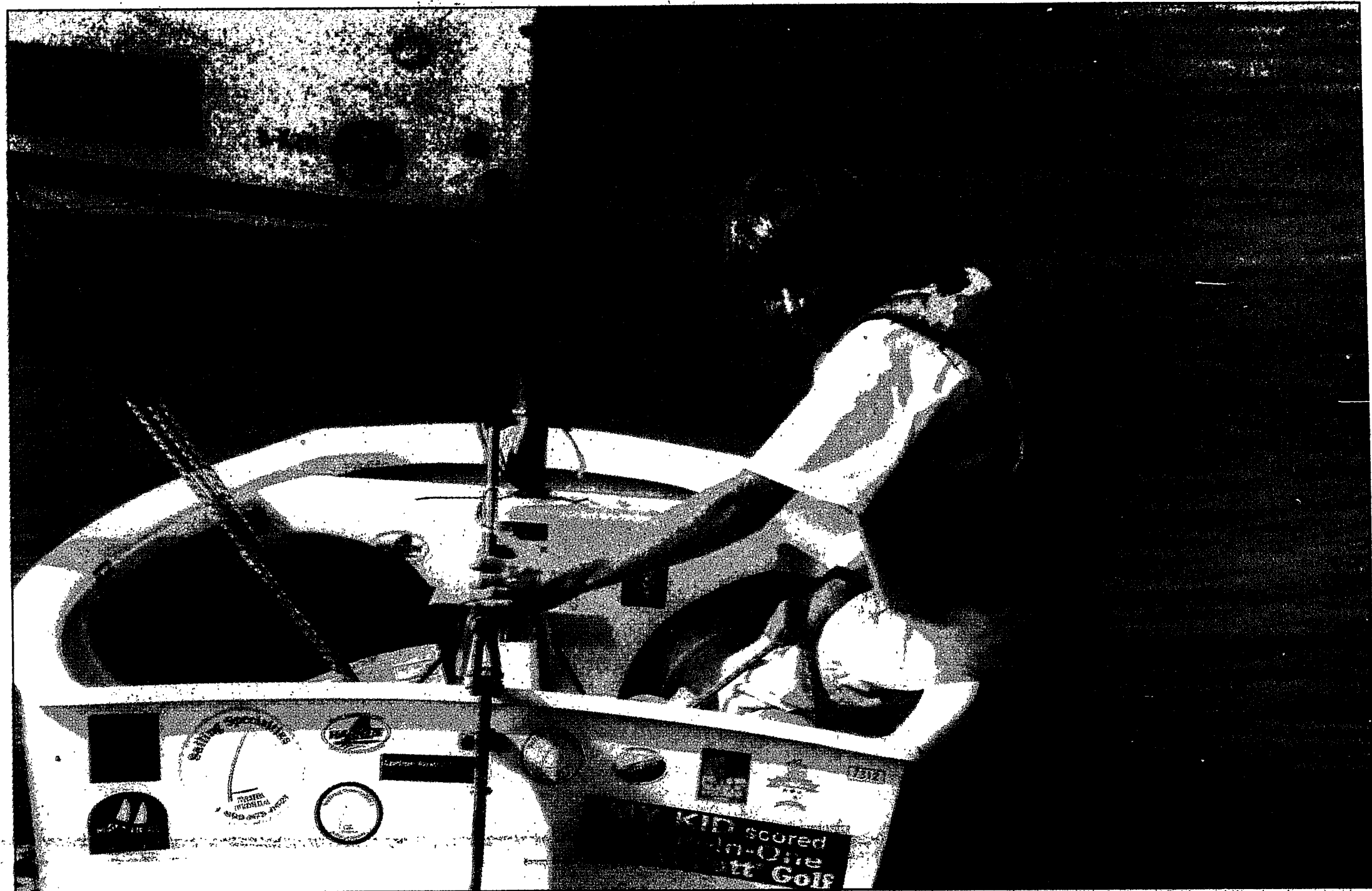
"Wild fires are the worst enemy of standing timber, the number one provider of manufacturing employment in Mississippi," said Hickman.

- A 23-year-old Bay St. Louis resident, just back from a stint in the U.S. Army, is setting civilian sights on hitting it big in the entertainment field.

Singer, dancer, actor Ed McKay of St. Francis Street said he started dancing as a child on the streets of New Orleans. Since then McKay has continued his love of the entertainment field as teenage member of "The Electrifying Lock-A-

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Smooth Sailing



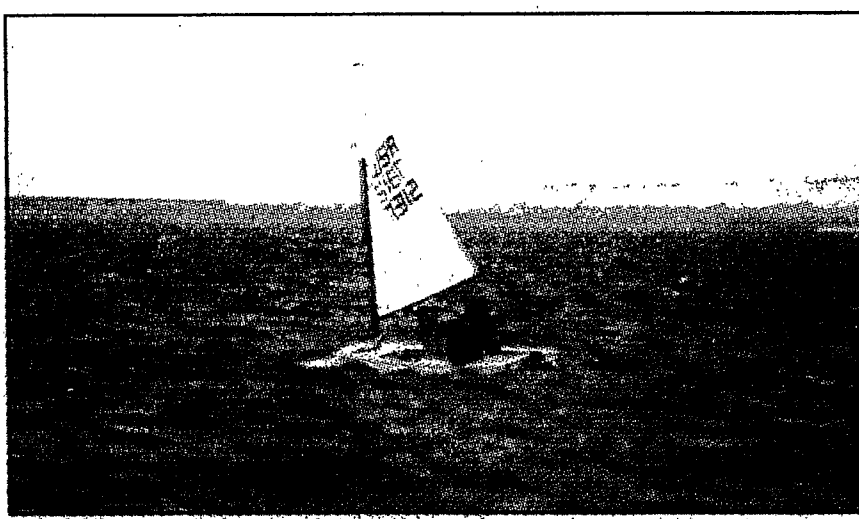
13-year-old Jackson Benvenuti, the son of Bay St. Louis attorney Steve Benvenuti and his wife Sarah, on a recent outing on his Optimist sailing craft in the bay. Photo submitted by Sarah Benvenuti

13-year-old Bay sailor heading to international competition in Peru

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

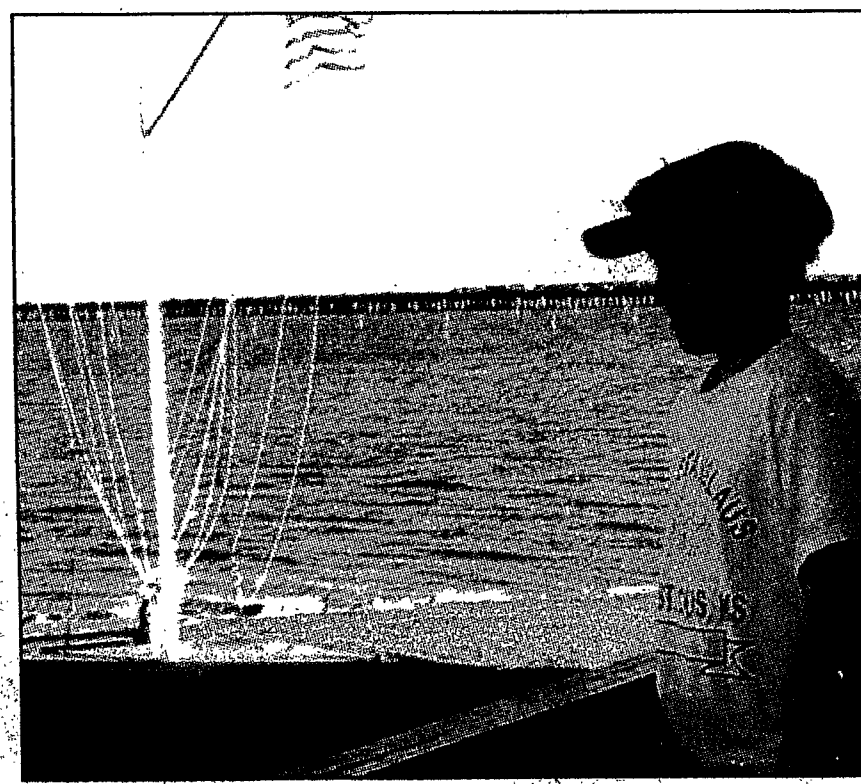
Jackson Benvenuti, 13, of Bay St. Louis, can't ever remember a time when he wasn't sailing. "I have always sailed with my Dad on his boat, probably since I was 3 months old," said Jackson at the Bay-Waveland Yacht Club on Wednesday. "Of course, I didn't do anything then, but we went sailing all the time ... I remember going with him on the Wednesday night races at the yacht club."

Now, at the ripe old age of 13, Jackson ranks fifth in the nation in his sailing class as a Red Optimist. He has traveled all over the country to compete in races or regattas and has sailed on both coasts of Florida



Jackson heads into some rough seas on a recent stormy day - which he says is his favorite kind of sailing weather. Photo submitted by Sarah Benvenuti

from Pensacola, to St. Petersburg to Miami, as well as on the east coast at Hampton, Virginia, Marblehead, Mass. and in Chesapeake Bay. He has also competed in Fairhope, Ala.; at the Houston Yacht Club and other Texas locations; and New



Jackson enjoys a sunny day watching the St. Stanislaus sailing team practice in the bay near the Bay-Waveland Yacht Club. Echo staff photo by Bennie Shallbetter

Orleans, as well. Most of the international circuit of competitions, his first stop being Berlin, petitions.

Now Jackson is entering the

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It takes about fifteen robins to make a good pie

Sing a song of sixpence, a pocket full of rye;
Four and twenty blackbirds, baked in a pie.
When the pie was opened, the birds began to sing;
Wasn't that a dainty dish to set before the king?

We've been having a problem with a low brick wall, and two brick masons came by yesterday to fix it. I knew the men. So I stayed around while they worked and caught up on things that had happened since I had seen them last. It was a father and son team, Joel and Joel, Jr. Both men loved hunting, espe-



Views From a Front Porch

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cially deer hunting with a bow and arrow, and the talk as they worked was filled with their last hunt and hunting in general.

"Joel, he's been taking too much time off lately with hunting. Now he's got to hustle a bit to help pay for that new truck. Ain't that right, Son?"

The younger Joel pried an old brick from the wall. "Well, I

tell ya. We had one of them deer steaks last night for supper and they sure were good eating."

When he said this, I remembered my trip with a friend a few weeks earlier up one of the bayous behind the Bay and the large flocks of robins Stella and I had seen there. We had both been amazed at the number of robins. We were used to seeing

at most two robins at any one time and here there were hundreds swarming about the marsh bushes. I was also surprised when my friend, who was with the Fish and Wildlife Service, told me that people used to hunt and eat robins.

"Tell me, Mr. Joel," I asked. "When you were young, did your mother ever bake you a pot pie filled with robins?"

"Why heck, yes. Now that's good eating. Better than quail. I loved it! It's all dark meat, kind of tangy, but real good. Oh my yes, it were good."

"How'd you get the robins?" "We'd shoot them! We'd shoot them with a pellet gun. We couldn't use 22's, they made too

much noise and the whole flock would take off. My mom sent me out to get some the first time when I was about eleven. We went out to where they was going round and round some trees and bushes in the wood and just picked them off one by one. My friend and I got about sixty each that day."

"Sixty! Did you need that many?"

"Well yeah!" He laughed. "We just use the breasts. It takes about fifteen robins to make a good pot pie. My mother would make up several pies with what we got. We'd eat one and she'd put the rest up for eating later. I'll tell ya, my dad made me clean and fix up anything I shot,

and sixty birds can be a lot to clean. He was pretty strict. We could only shoot what we were going to eat."

He stopped and gazed at the wall for a second remembering and then bent forward and pried out another brick. "Yep, they sure were good eating. My mother would fix them with sort of dumplings and put a good thick crust of dough across the top and bake it. You could smell it cooking."

Stella had come up on us and, hearing what we were talking about, made a face.

Joel laughed. "Why, Miss Stella, I bet you make Mr. Paul,

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What's for Lunch?

March 26-30

MENUS

MARCH 26-30 Bay St. Louis- Waveland School District Chef Salad, Milk and Condiments served daily BREAKFAST

Monday: Pancake and Sausage Stick, Assorted Cereal, Toast, Juice

Tuesday: Sausage and Biscuit, Assorted Cereal, Toast, Fruit Juice

Wednesday: Grits and Hashbrowns, Assorted Cereal, Toast, Fruit Juice

Thursday: Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Assorted Cereal, Toast, Fruit Juice

Friday: Cinnamon-Raisin Biscuit, Assorted Cereal, Toast, Juice

LUNCH

Monday: Macaroni and Cheese with Ham, BBQ Pork on Bun, Buttered Corn, Baked Beans, Fresh Apple, Tropical Fruit Mix, Rice Krispie Treat

Tuesday: Chili and Grilled Cheese, Steak Sandwich with Trimmings, Coleslaw, Peas and Carrots, Chilled Peach slices, Fresh Orange Smiles, Macaroni

and Cheese, Crackers, Chewy Fudge Brownie

Wednesday: Red Beans with Rice and Sausage, Chicken Sandwich with Trimmings, Seasoned Potato Cuts, Seasoned Green Beans, Fresh Banana, Strawberry Blend, Mexican Cornbread

Thursday: Chili Cheese Fritos, American Sub Sandwich with Trimmings, Green Peas, Carrot Sticks with Dip, Fruit Cocktail, Fresh Fruit Bowl, Jell-O Cake

Friday: Cheese Pizza, Sloppy Joe, Seasoned Lima Beans, Garden Salad with Dressing, Chilled Pear Slices, Applesauce, Yeast Roll

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BREAKFAST

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Tuesday: Cheese Toast, Juice

Wednesday: Breakfast Pizza, Juice

Thursday: Sausage Biscuit, Juice

Friday: Flapstick, Juice

LUNCH

Monday: Chicken Spaghetti, Pizza, Tater Tots, Carrots, Tossed Salad, Pineapple Tidbits, Fruit Juice, Yeast Roll, Oatmeal Cookies

Tuesday: Macaroni and Cheese with Ham, Sloppy Joe, Chef Salad, Parslied Potatoes, Green Peas, Raw Veggies, Peach Slices, Fruit Juice, Texas Toast, Crackers, Gelatin

Wednesday: Beefy Nachos Grande, Deli Sandwich on Bun, French Fries, Cheesy Broccoli, Tossed Salad, Tropical Apples, Fruit Juice, Peanut Butter Bar

Thursday: Chili Cheese Fritos, Shaved Ham and Cheese Pobo, Chef Salad, Spicy Fries, While Kernel Corn, Raw Veggies, Chilled Pear, Fruit Juice, Crackers, Fruit Crisp

Friday: Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Tuna on Bun, Seasoned Green Beans, Broccoli Salad, Baked Beans, Fruit cocktail, Fruit Juice, Garlic Bread, Pudding

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and Middle Schools**

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Chef Salad, Bread,

Dessert, Milk and Condiments LUNCH

Monday: Chicken Spaghetti, Pizza, Hamburger, Tater Tots, Carrots, Tossed Salad, Applesauce, Fruit Juice, Yeast Roll, Pudding

Tuesday: Macaroni and Cheese with Ham, Chicken Pattie Sandwich, Chef Salad, Parslied Potatoes, Green Peas, Raw Veggies, Peach Slices, Fruit Juice, Texas Toast, Crackers, Peanut Butter Bar

Wednesday: Fried Chicken, Cheeseburger, Chef Salad, Cheesy Mashed Potatoes, Southern Greens, Tossed Salad, Cinnamon Apples, Fruit Juice, Yeast Roll, Gelatin

Thursday: Chili Cheese Frito, Foot-long Hot Dog, Chef Salad, Spicy Fries, Broccoli Salad, Whole Kernel Corn, Fruit Cocktail, Fruit Juice, Crackers, Fruit Crisp

Friday: Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Shaved Ham and Cheese Pobo, Tuna on Bun, Spicy Fries, Seasoned Green Beans, Raw Veggies, Chilled Pears, Fruit Juice, Garlic Rolls, Oatmeal Cookie

All menus subject to change.

Bay High DECA tops in the state

SPECIAL TO THE ECHO

Bay High DECA advisors Lady Stone Bruce and Jane Lamb announce that Bay High had 23 students medal and be recognized on stage Feb. 21-24 at the Mississippi DECA Career Development Conference in Tupelo. Once again, Bay High DECA was a dominating chapter.

First place winners include Felicity Ross, Management Marketing Series; Kathleen Hancock, Fashion Merchandising Promotion Plan; Carrie Roche, Apparel and Accessories; Chase Thoms and Brandon Normand, Creative Marketing.

Third place winners include Jake Pearce, Entrepreneurship; Brooke Keel and Ashlee Storey, Hospitality Services; Christina



First place winners are, from left, Brandon Normand, Chase Thoms, Felicity Ross, Kathleen Hancock and Carrie Roche.

Entrepreneurship Written Event. Sixth place winners include Christen Hartley, Retail Merchandising Management and David Garcia, Quick Serve Restaurant Management.

Other students who attended the conference were Lisa Page, Quick Service Restaurant Management; Jenny Patterson, Retail Merchandising; Heather Wilkerson and Lamonica James, Advertising Campaign Event; Kenneth Smith, Quick Service Restaurant; Alex Murray, Retail Merchandising; Matt Collier, Food Marketing.

Also representing Bay High were Lacey Irias, Sheena Johnson, Tam Elmore, Josh Todd and Ricky Hardy, voting delegates; Ashley Pollion and Samantha Billingsley, conference decorations; and Aimee Welts, conference delegate.



Third place winners are, from left, Jake Pearce, Christina Mueller, Lainey Perrot, Brooke Keel, Ashlee Story, Brandi Mannion and Stephen Fouasnon.

Mueller, Business Services Marketing; Brandi Mannion, Apparel and Accessories Management; Lainey Perrot, Food Marketing; Steven Fouasnon, Technical Marketing

Representative: Melissa LaFontaine and Amanda Rubio, Public Relations; Danielle Guinaugh, Retail Merchandising.

Fourth place winners include



Event finalists are, from left, Skip Ladner, Kerl Cooper, Sky Thomas, Cristen Harley and David Garcia.

Keri Cooper and Skip Ladner, Sports and Entertainment Marketing; Karen Hancock, Public Speaking; Robin Perniciaro and Kendall Schindler, Learn and Earn Project.

Sky Thomas placed fifth in

'Living La Vida Porka' celebration

For all those who have dreamed what it would be like to be Living La Vida Porka (Living the Pig's Life) the Gulf Coast Symphony Orchestra Board has just the opportunity for you at their 13th annual Barbecue Under the Oaks Saturday, March 31 from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the home of Dr. Don and Peggy Sprabery in Pass Christian.

Greeting the guests will be Calypso music by Johnny Chevrolet in a setting of lush greenery and tables decorated with fresh fruits from the islands, all a part of the Caribbean theme.

Surrounding the site will be teams of ribmeisters, all of whom will be serving their latest creations including "Three Alarm Chili," Oysters Henri, a whole roasted pig, grilled sausage, ribs and chicken, plus all the usual "sides."

This year there will be a lus-

cious dessert tent filled with delicious treats from the kitchens of the members of the Gulf Coast Symphony Guild.

The popular "prize tent" will have a large assortment of prizes for lucky winners to choose from, with the grand prize "Two nights at the five-star Windsor Court Hotel in New Orleans."

The highlight of the day will be a live auction conducted by John McFarland and Butch Oustalet.

Included in the auction will be a special string of pearls, paintings by Emmitt Thames, cruises, high tea for 12 and elegant dinners.

A popular item up for auction is an opportunity to be guest conductor at the Memorial Day concert; including two free lessons from Dr. John Strickler, conductor of the Gulf Coast Symphony Orchestra.

Returning this year by popu-

lar demand there will be a silent auction tent loaded with goodies.

Special treats will be provided in the children's area. The "Wings" group from the Lynn Meadows Discovery Center will assist the children in special activities, including balloon sculptures and the popular face painting.

The Gulfport Police will bring their DARE train to assist guests with transportation from the parking lot to the barbecue.

Cost for the event is \$25 in advance, \$30 at the gate and \$10 for children 10 and under.

Information on tickets is available at the Gulf Coast Symphony Office at (228) 435-9800.

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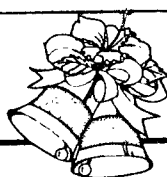
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Weddings



Mr. and Mrs. Brent Kinniburgh

Kinniburgh-Platz wedding

Andrea Lynn Platz of Bay St. Louis and Brent L. Kinniburgh of Water Valley, Miss., were united in marriage Nov. 25, 2000 in an afternoon ceremony in Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church in Bay St. Louis.

Monsignor James McGough officiated. Soloist was John Mason; organist, Ollie McKenna; and trumpeter, Ron Crosby.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter H. Platz of Bay St. Louis, and the groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Kent Kinniburgh of Oxford, Miss.

The bride was given in marriage by her father.

For the occasion she chose a designer gown from the House of Bianchi of ivory Cameo satin. The princess-style gown featured a sweetheart neckline and a low V-back.

The neckline and bodice were accented with pearls and iridescent bugle beads in an intricate pattern to simulate a vine motif. The flowing skirt ended in a chapel-length train.

Her fingertip veil of illusion was held in place by a small headpiece with pearl and bugle bead detailing to complement the gown. Ivory gloves completed her ensemble.

Maid of honor was Catherine Davis Weems of Atlanta, Ga., friend of the bride.

Bridesmaids included Tara Tuberville, cousin of the bride, of New Orleans; Amy Lee of Hattiesburg; Holly Myers of Jackson; Robin Hughes of Baton Rouge; Jennifer Clark of Fairbanks, Alaska; Catherine Cromwell of Pass Christian; Katherine Blount of Gulfport; Krista Albright of Waveland; and Swanna MacNair of Los Angeles, Calif., all friends of the bride.

Each bridesmaid was attired in a formal gown of aubergine matte satin in a slim style with sheer draped chiffon at the

neckline and wearing matching gloves.

Flower girl was Balius Lee, friend of the bride, and ring bearer was Hunter Kinniburgh, son of the groom.

Best man was Kent E. Kinniburgh, father of the groom, and ushers were Kurt Alonzo, cousin of the bride, and Randy Kisner, friend of the groom.

Groomsmen included Triant Platz of Pass Christian and Jason Platz of Bay St. Louis, both brothers of the bride; Kent Kinniburgh of Water Valley, Miss., brother of the groom; Chris Wamble of Charleston, Miss.; Tim Collins, Kim Faust, Jim Smith and David Houston, all of Oxford, Miss.; and Tommy Gurley of Batesville, all friends of the groom.

Readers were Tracy Alonzo, cousin of the bride, and Leighanne Wamble, friend of the bride.

Wedding coordinator was Yvonne Sallinger.

A reception followed the ceremony in Our Lady of the Gulf Parish Center with music by Dr. Rock and the Interns.

A rehearsal dinner was hosted by the groom's parents at The Bridges, Casino Magic.

A bridal shower was given at the home of Mrs. Richard Cichon, hosted by Dee Cichon, Gaynell Ambrose, Jean Ann Thrifley, Suzie Lee and Mittie Smith.

A cocktail party/shower was hosted by the bridesmaids at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Rillens Lee, and a shower was given in Water Valley, Miss. by Andy Kinniburgh. A bridesmaid luncheon was hosted by Yvonne Sallinger, Helga Alonzo and Janet Foster at Victoria's Tea Room in Slidell.

After a honeymoon trip to the Poconos, the couple will make their home in Water Valley, Miss.

Friends, Zoo story hours

"Friends" will be the theme for the children's story hour at the Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library on Wednesday, March 28, at 10:30 a.m.

One Guinea Pig is Not Enough and *What are Friends For?* are the books to be read during the program. Susan Daigre, program coordinator, will assist the children in making paper dolls.

"At the Zoo" will be the theme for the children's story hour at the Kiln Public Library on Thursday, March 29, at 10:30 a.m.

New at the Zoo, *Zoo Looking* and *Dumb Bunnies go to the Zoo* are the books to be read during the program. Children will receive a zoo animal coloring book.

Programs and activities are designed for pre-school age children three to five years old who are not part of a nursery or pre-school group.

For individual branch story hour information, contact Adrienne Bradley, Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library, 467-5282; or Sandra Ladner, Kiln Public Library, 255-1724.

Births

MICHAEL DALTON NETTO

Michael Netto and Vickie Furey of Pearlinton announce the birth of their second child, Michael Dalton, Feb. 1, 2001 at 11:26 p.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.

He weighed 7 pounds. Maternal grandparents are James and Sandra Bennett of Pearlinton.

Paternal grandparents are Michael and Mel Netto of Lafayette, La. and Cinda and Forrest Thigpen of Picayune.

Great-grandparents include Betty Kirkhart of Florida, and Ella Netto and Elsie Walch, both of Bay St. Louis.

Dalton is welcomed by his sister, Samantha.

Registration open for Dial Pac training

Public training workshops on the Dial Pac service will be part of the Hancock County Library System's National Library Week celebration April 1-7.

Dial Pac is a program designed to provide library users with a connection to the library's automated catalog via their home, work or school computers.

The workshops are scheduled for Tuesday, April 3, at 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. at the Kiln Public Library; and at 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. at the Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library on Thursday, April 5.

Registration for the sessions is required, and space is limited. Persons interested in attending should contact Sandra Ladner at the Kiln Public Library at 255-1724, or Jeanne Pierce at the Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library at 467-5282.

With Dial Pac, library users can dial into the library at 463-0024 via their modem, review their library card account, search for the availability of items in the library, place holds on books, audio books and videos and renew items already checked out to their library card.

Other Dial Pac services include the option to review the status of items on hold, review the New York Times bestseller list and place holds against it and access several types of dictionaries.

Great Books discussion group meets

The Perplexities of the Rights of Man by Hannah Arendt will be the selection to be discussed at the next Great Books discussion group meeting on Wednesday, March 28, at 7 p.m. in the Seal Meeting Room of the Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library.

The selection is from the new volume ... And Justice For All. The Universal Declaration of Human Rights at 50.

This special volume honors the 50th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

Sponsored by the Hancock County Library System, the discussion group began in March, 1990.

Since that time, members have read more than 345 titles and they have completed 110 readings from great books (Plato, Hobbes, Locke de Tocqueville), Mississippi fiction, play readings and 20 philosophical questions. The group meets every other Wednesday at 7 p.m.

The Great Books Foundation was established in 1947 by University of Chicago Chancellor Robert Maynard Hutchins. Its mission is to provide people of all ages, backgrounds and walks of life with the opportunity to read, discuss and learn from outstanding works of literature.

Anyone is welcome to attend the meetings. The only requirement is that you read the selection before the meeting. For information, call Jeanne Pierce at 467-5282.

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Jackson -- 13-year-old goes international

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Germany last October, at Lake Potsdamer Yacht Club, where he was the youngest of four teens who represented the United States Optimist Dinghy Association, in competition for the European Cup. The team, three of whom are from New Orleans, has won the Southeastern Championship, which takes place in Panama City, Fla., for the past four years. The competition attracts sailors from all across the country. Jackson joined the team two years ago, when it won both the Southeastern Championship and the National Championship, which sent team members to Berlin.

Last August Jackson, sailing alone, also finished ninth out of 180 individuals in the Nationals in Pensacola.

In two weeks, he will go to Lima, Peru in an individual competition to represent the United States in the South

America Cup Competition. Jackson is a student at St. Stanislaus and will be allowed to miss school for the competition.

"St. Stanislaus has a sailing team and considers Jackson's trip an athletic competition, which of course it is," said Sarah Benvenuti, Jackson's mother. "They have been very supportive of Jackson's sailing."

He qualified for the competition last November at the Midwinter Competitions in New Orleans at the Southern Yacht Club at Lake Pontchartrain. There, he finished fifth out of 123 participants to be one of 15 Americans to represent the U.S. All 123 boats left the starting line together, "an amazing sight," said Steve Benvenuti, Jackson's father, and quite an accomplishment on its own merit.

Last month Jackson finished

eighth out of 176 participants in the International Valentine's Day Competitions. He was one of five Americans to win that race, which is attended by sailors from all over the globe.

Jackson started his serious sailing when he was nine years old, said Sarah, taking lessons under Click Schreck, who also made the sails for Jackson's first boat, and Mallory Mestayer. Schreck is an Olympic Gold Medal Winner for sailing, and Mestayer was four years All-American at the U.S. Naval Academy.

Jackson obviously had some excellent teachers, but his talent for the sport seems to come natural to him, as does his love of the sport, say those who know him well. He spends every minute he can at the club and if he isn't sailing, then he is watching someone sail. On Wednesday, he watched the St. Stanislaus team form the pic-

ture windows in the clubhouse, both learning from and critiquing their efforts with great enthusiasm.

"Personally, I think it's the hardest sport you can do because you have to use both physical strength and mental strength - it's never the same - wind waves and currents, all of them, they're always different," said Jackson. "I sail when it's pouring down rain and blowing like a stink and I sail when it's beautiful and sunny, but I like sailing best when it's blowing like a stink," said Jackson. "When it's blowing like a stink, it's awesome because you have to push it to the limit, you have to push it hard and when you do, then it's a win or swim situation."

Even with Jackson's great success at such a young age, his philosophy of sailing is simple. "I do it because it's fun, it's just plain old fun," he said.

Time -- 1941: Aerial school

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Tears" in Bay St. Louis and then as a frequent entertainer in the Army.

FORTY YEARS AGO

March 23, 1961 - A deadlock over the question of who is to pay for moving utility poles must be broken before work can be started on the new Kiln Highway. State Engineer James F. Brownlee told the board of supervisors Monday.

Coast Electric Power Association Manager H. Hardin Shattuck estimated the cost of moving the poles at \$11,620, based on a survey made by engineers of his company.

He said the poles are on public land, therefore it is the county and state's responsibility to move them. Brownlee read a clause in the state's contract stating that Waveland's pipeline would be moved, but that no agreement was made by the state on the utility poles.

- Open new store. (photo) Marcus Kneek, manager of the new T.G.&Y. store which opens tomorrow, stops by and chats with Mrs. T. R. Perkins and Pat Blaize, both of Bay St. Louis, as

they work on one of the counters in the store preparing it for the opening. The store is next to Winn-Dixie at Blue Meadow Road and U.S. 90.

FIFTY YEARS AGO

March 23, 1951 - A.B. Tipping Jr. of Pass Christian, has purchased the Gulf Chevrolet Company from Al Voight, owner. The transfer, which has been approved by General Motors, will be effective April 1, 1951. Tipping resided here in his boyhood days and attended St. Stanislaus. He has been associated with General Motors for a number of years.

- H.H. Shattuck, director of the Hancock County Civilian Defense Council, called a meeting Monday, March 19, at 2 p.m. in the R.E.A. building, for the purpose of outlining the Civil Defense program for Hancock County.

Members of the Council are Garfield Ladner, Mayor of Waveland; Warren Carver, Mayor of Bay St. Louis; E.E. Breland, Superintendent of Education; B.D. (Fip) Johnson,

Sheriff of Hancock County; and A.C. Mitchell, Clerk of Courts. The Hancock County Civilian Defense Council was organized some time ago to provide an agency from which the residents of this area could secure aid during times disaster.

SIXTY YEARS AGO

March 21, 1941 - Coast to get Six Million Dollar Aerial School at Biloxi. War Department Authorizes Announcement Given by Congressman Colmer. Annual Payroll to Exceed Ten Million Dollars. Biggest Defense Plum Yet For the Gulf Coast. 12,000 Men Coming at One Time.

Selection of Biloxi by the War Department as the site for a mechanical air training school, which Congressman William Colmer said would involve 12,000 trainees and an initial outlay of approximately \$6,000,000, was announced by the War Department Monday.

To be officially called the Biloxi Air Corps Technical School, it will be part of the vast national defense program. The unit there will be one of

several technical schools established by the United States Army Corps. Biloxi was chosen after several months of negotiations. The entire Biloxi Airport area will be included in the project.

NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The USDA, Rural Utilities Service has received an application for financial assistance from Southern Regional Wastewater Management District. The proposed project consists of upgrading and enlarging the treatment facilities in order to reduce discharge into the Edwards Bayou and Jourdan River.

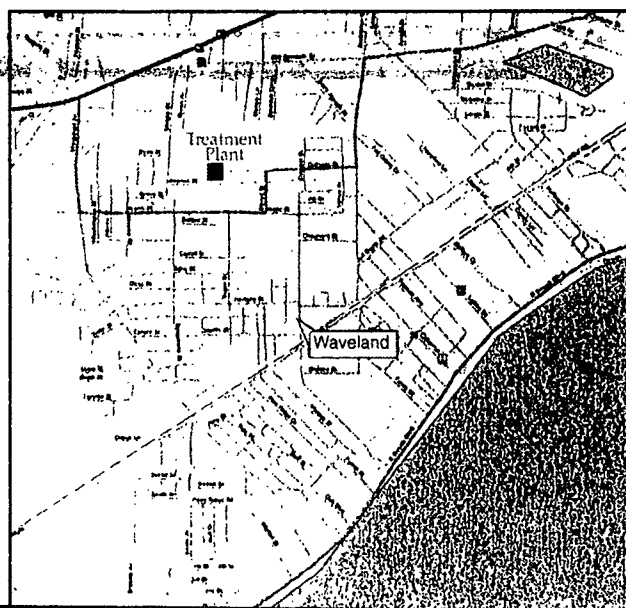
As required by the National Environmental Policy Act, the Rural Utilities Service has assessed the potential environmental effects of the proposed project and has determined that the proposal will not have a significant impact on the human environment and for which an Environment Impact Statement will not be prepared. The basis of this determination is reflected in the content of the Environment Report submitted on behalf of the Southern Regional Wastewater Management District.

The proposed project is located within the 100-year flood plain however the existing treatment facility is already located in the area. Based on the Corps of Engineers recommendation, a wetland consultant was contacted to perform the necessary wetland survey. This survey has been furnished to the Corps of Engineers for their permitting requirements. All applicable

permits must be obtained from the Department of Environmental Quality and the Corps of Engineers prior to the start of construction.

Copies of the Environmental Assessment can be reviewed at the Rural Development Area Office, 132 Mayfair Road, Hattiesburg, MS 39402. For further information please contact Robert W. Windham, Rural Development Specialist at 601-261-3293.

A general location map of the proposal is shown below:



Views -- bird pie

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here, some good chicken pot pies. Well I can't see much difference between robins and chicken except the price. People go hunting all the time. It's more than a sport with us, it's what we do, and it puts good food on the table. And I bet Mr. Paul likes a good steak, too."

Stella was not buying his argument and I realized that I had better reorient the conversation. "What about using squab in pot pies?"

"They're good, too. They don't taste the same, but they're good. When I was a kid, there was an old complex of buildings over in Gulfport that were idle for a long time. Pigeons would nest there by the hundreds. We

used to go there, climb up and get their squabs for pot pies. We didn't have to shoot them; just pick them out of the nest, throw them in a sack, and take them home to my mother to make into a pie. They didn't have no feathers so they were easy to fix up."

Stella now became interested and started asking questions about how they were cooked.

A few days later I saw a robin on the fence by the side of the house. I started to call Stella and ask her if she wanted to make a small pot pie for supper. Luckily, a wiser part of me made me keep the peace and I watched it hop about

looking for berries and then, finally, fly away.

As it flew away, I remembered something the brick mason had said when he left.

There doesn't seem to be as many robins as there used to be.

(Stella and I need some help. We would like recipes for robin or squab pie if any reader happens to have them. Stella is writing a cookbook that will have the above short story in it. We would like to include a robin and a squab recipe at the end of the story as a curiosity. Whosever recipe we elect to include will be given full credit.)

Davis is national award winner

The United States Achievement Academy announced that Jacob Davis of Pass Christian has been named a United States National Award Winner in Honor Roll.

This award is a prestigious honor very few students can ever hope to attain. The Academy recognizes fewer than 10 percent of all American high school students. Davis, who attends Pass Christian High School, was nominated for the

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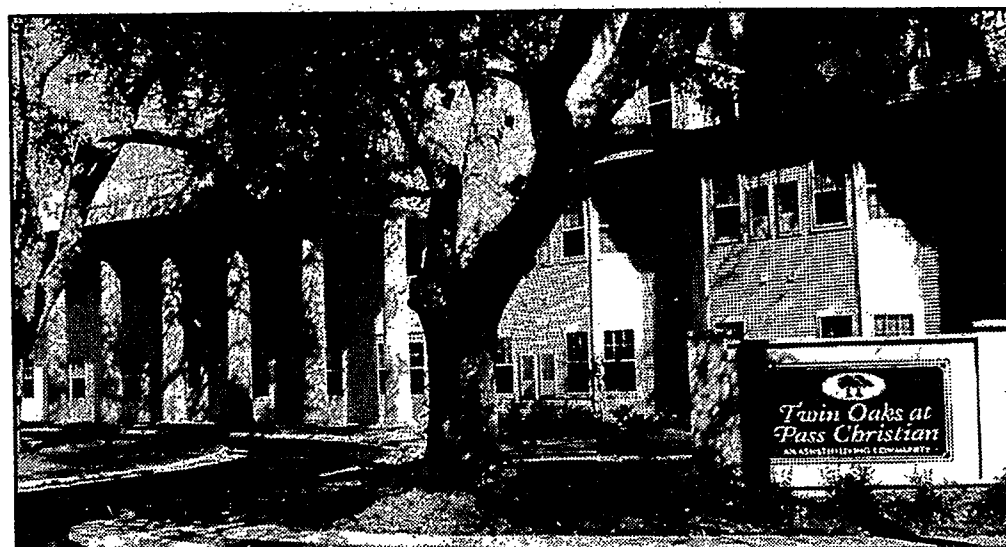
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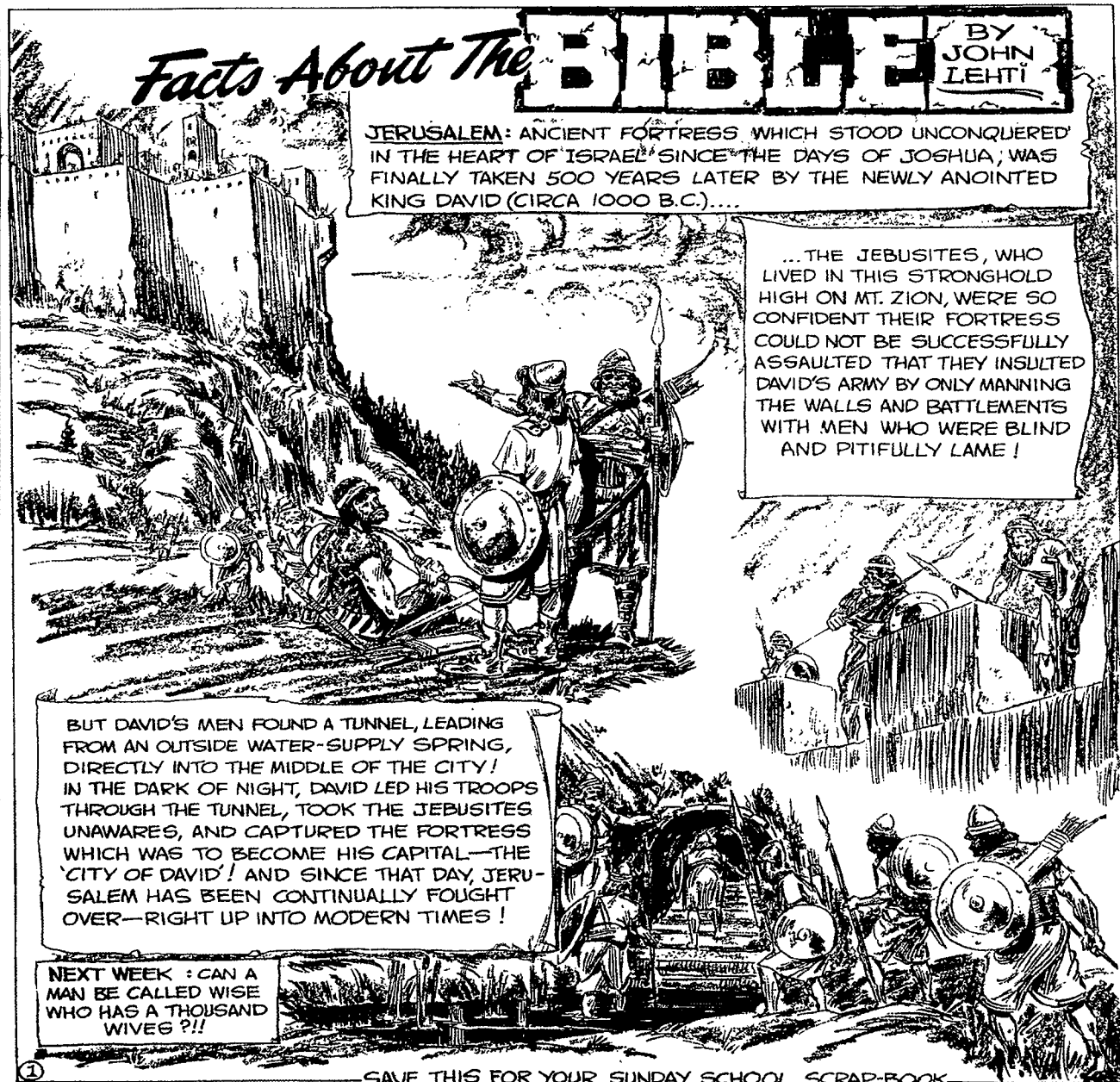
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Just as we were about to have the final viewing of the mortal remains, an energetic lady moved up and presented herself with an afterthought solo.

Before launching into her solo, she delivered a very upbeat, spiritual, animated sermonette. I was deeply impressed by the time she had finished singing.

Later, at the graveside, the weather was pleasant, but the insistent din of several tongue-waggers, who could not wait to leave the cemetery before resuming their trivial conversations, was anything but pleasant. In fact, it was very distracting to me as I shared the final prayers of good-bye and blessing.

"If this is annoying to me," I was thinking, "how cold, thoughtless and boorish must it seem to the family members and close friends who are trying to pray and show their solidarity with the family?"

They are receiving very little respect and genuine concern from those graveside gossips."

Then the big shocker hit me as if someone had thrown a brick and struck me.

The most animated gossip of the several busybodies was the very lady who had stood up toward the end of the funeral parlor service and delivered a dynamite sermonette followed by a soulful solo.

What kind of lopsided spirituality was this, at one moment doling out wonderful, inspiring thoughts and uplifting music, and not too many moments later lowering oneself to the despicable level of a gossip, graveyard at that?

How could this be? The evident dichotomy and contradiction were too much to bear. Surely, anyone with such a flair for holy thoughts, wholesome words and angelic singing would not be treading on the feelings of relatives and friends in their moment of deepest sorrow and distress.

Yet, here she was as big as life. "And twice as ugly!" some of our old folks would add, ugliness having nothing to do with physical properties.

There is a powerful amount of beauty in most of us, but often a seemingly proportionate measure of ugliness to neutralize so much of that beauty.

In my mind's eye, the two

apparitions of the lady kept yo-yoing back and forth between the funeral parlor and the graveside until the whole episode became a blur of confusion and dismay.

A person full of the outpouring of Halleluias and Praise the Lords was scraping the bottom of the barrel within the same hour and with the mortal remains of the same beloved relative.

Here were reverence and irreverence coexisting without challenge inside one and the same person.

Without any sign of discomfort or hesitation, the woman floated freely from sublime gestures of the highest reverence for God and people to the lowliest irreverence of boorish, trivial gossip.

But, upon further reflection, I had numerous flashbacks of other women and men who had done the same on too many occasions to attempt a count.

I reminded myself that this was not a first at all and, unfortunately, not even a rarity. Yes, cemeteries have seemed to be a veritable hotbed of such antics.

Thinking back, I remembered a handful of occasions when I even repeated aloud and still louder, "We are at prayer! Be silent, please!" One day I had to repeat the distasteful message twice before everyone ceased speaking. Some even had the nerve to appear surprised or offended by the admonition.

That is exactly the same problem of all of us in some measure or other: the unchallenged, taken-for-granted coexistence within ourselves of colliding, contradictory ways of so-called spiritual thinking, speaking and acting.

Genuine spirituality cannot be lopsided or contradictory, but must be integrated into the warp and woof of all our thoughts, words and behavior. However, we sometimes speak or act in order to make a spiritual impression, but are caught off guard at certain moments which reveal the real, unspiritual us.

We have to be aware that we will never be able to integrate our religious pursuits, our spirituality, without the roadmap, the guidance and the supernatural strength of him alone who can do it.

With his roadmap, the Bible, and with his matchless inspiration, he hurls the ultimate challenge at us:

"Be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect" (Matthew 5:48).

That will be by the hardest, but Jesus commands us to try without

Bay Catholic visits China
at Discovery Center

First graders from Bay Catholic visited the Lynn Meadows Discovery Center in Gulfport and its newest exhibit, "Celebrate the World We Share - China."

The exhibit, designed as an international travel exhibit to China, is sponsored by the Mississippi Geographic Education Fund of the National Geographic Society and the Phil Hardin Foundation of Mississippi.

"The Discovery Center reinforces our classroom study of scientific method and experiments," said Elaine LaFontaine, Bay Catholic teacher. "Our students experience a different culture

through the China exhibit," added teacher Debbie Johnson.

In the new exhibit, the first graders explored an open-air market which is a typical day-to-day cultural experience in China.

Spencer Klein, Dedrick Labat and March Bourgeois experimented with Chinese musical instruments, while Coy Bouis and Jessi Hand wore Chinese theater masks.

Daniel Kergosien prepared fresh fish stir fry as Ariele Schexnayder mastered the use of chopsticks.

For more information about the Lynn Meadows Discovery Center call 897-6039.



Exploring China

First graders from Bay Catholic explore the new China exhibit at the Lynn Meadows Discovery Center, including, kneeling from left, Gabriela Velesquaze, Jacob Dunn; and standing, Joseph Milner and Ashleigh Hoda.

The "Word" for the Week

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Put in a bad spot, the apostle Paul defended himself against his detractors as follows. "I admit to you, that according to the Way which they call a sect I do serve the God of our fathers, believing everything that is in accordance with the Law and that is written in the Prophets; having a hope in God, which these men cherish themselves, that there shall certainly be a resurrection of both the righteous and the wicked" (Acts 24:14-15).

What is Paul's hope as a Christian? It is the resurrection of the dead. Here is his classic statement. "Behold, I tell you a mystery; we will not all sleep, but we will all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet; for the trumpet will

sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed" (1 Corinthians 15:51-52).

This is a hinge upon which Christianity turns. Here is the argument. "If there is no resurrection of the dead, not even Christ has been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is vain, your faith also is vain" (1 Corinthians 15:13-14).

Furthermore, "If Christ has not been raised, your faith is worthless; you are still in your sins" (1 Corinthians 15:17).

However, "He lives" (2 Corinthians 13:4). "He has risen" (Matthew 28:6).

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The school's International Studies students will culminate their year-long investigation of classical history and culture with a trip to Italy in May, and the proceeds from this weekend's event will directly support this academic endeavor.

The home and grounds of Pearson and Marisa Potts at 113 Wisteria Drive will feature culinary masterpieces from Armand's, Andrea's of New Orleans, Chef Gino Scialdone, and Brocato's Ice Cream and Confectionery.

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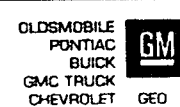


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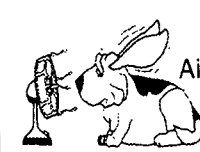
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Gov. Ronnie Musgrove signed Senate Bill 2442 into law making the Tangipahoa Mississippi's second scenic river. Last year, the Wolf River from Mississippi 26 to Bay

Saint Louis was designated a scenic river. "Now that the Tangipahoa has been declared a scenic river, we'll get with local landowners and begin drafting a stewardship plan," Scenic Streams

Stewardship Coordinator Andrew Whitehurst said. A stewardship plan consists of voluntary agreements by streamside

landowners to use Best Management Practices when they harvest timber or clear along the river.

Whitehurst went on to say that streamside landowners can make a difference in conserving rivers by leaving buffer zones which protect water quality, stabilize stream banks, and ensure healthy fish habitat.



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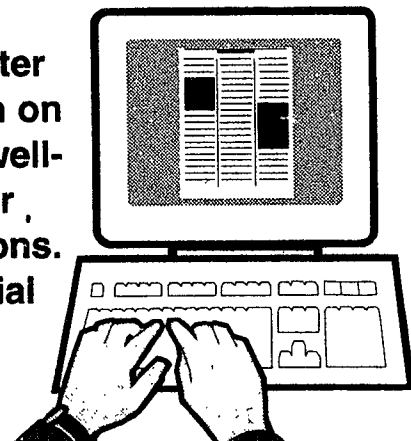
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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN RE: ESTATE OF MALCOLM LOUIS DEBOCHA COMEAUX, DECEASED
PATRICIA DEBOCHA COMEAUX, ADMINISTRATRIX
SUMMONS
NO. 2000-590
TO The known or unknown Heirs-at-Law and any and all other persons claiming any right, title or interest as heirs of Malcolm Louis DeBocha, deceased. You are hereby summoned to appear and defend against the Petition filed against you in this action at 9:30 o'clock a.m. on the 23rd day of April, 2001, in the courtroom of the Hancock County Chancery Court at Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi. If you fail to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Petition. You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire. Issued under my hand and seal of said Court, this 21st day of February, 2001.
Tim Keller, Chancery Clerk
Patricia Cuevas

311 3/18, 3/25/2001

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
CAUSE NO. 2000-608
IN RE: ESTATE OF STANLEY MICHAEL RUSHING, DECEASED
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
SUMMONS
TO ANY AND ALL PERSONS CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST AS HEIRS OF THE ESTATE OF STANLEY MICHAEL RUSHING, DECEASED, AND TO ANY AND ALL PERSONS CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST AS HEIRS OF THE ESTATE OF STANLEY MICHAEL RUSHING, DECEASED. You are hereby summoned to appear and defend against the Petition filed against you in this action at 9:30 o'clock a.m. on the 21st day of May, 2001, in the courtroom of the Hancock County Chancery Court at Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi. If you fail to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Petition. You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire. Issued under my hand and seal of said Court, this 8th day of March, 2001.
(Seal)

TIMOTHY A. KELLAR, CHANCERY CLERK
BY: Erica Candebat, B.C.

311 3/18, 3/25/2001

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS
OF
BERTHOLD M. GLAMANN, DECEASED
NO. 2001-206
Letters of Administration having been granted on the 16 day of March, 2001, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the estate of BERTHOLD M. GLAMANN, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present same to the Clerk of said Court for Probate and registered according to law within ninety (90) days from this date, or they will be forever barred. This the 14th day of March, 2001.
BERTHOLD M. GLAMANN, JR.
Administrator
318, 3/25, 4/1/2001

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
SUMMONS FOR PUBLICATION
NO. 2001-206
TO The Unknown or known heirs at law and all other persons claiming any right, title or interest as heirs of the Estate of BERTHOLD M. GLAMANN, deceased. You have been made a respondent in a lawsuit filed in this court by BERTHOLD M. GLAMANN, Jr., and Celestine V. Glamann, administratrix, in and against the estate of BERTHOLD M. GLAMANN, deceased, as fully set out in the Petition on file in the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi.
You are required to mail or hand deliver a written response to the complaint filed against you in this action to Gerald C. Gex, Attorney for Petitioner, whose address is 700 Highway 90, Suite D, Waveland, MS 39576.
Your response must be filed no later than thirty days from the 18 day of March, 2001, which is the date of the first publication of this summons. If your response is not mailed or delivered, a judgment by default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint. You must also file an original of your response with the Clerk of Court within a reasonable time after the date of the first publication of this summons. Issued under my hand and seal of this Court this the 16 day of March, 2001.
(Seal)

TIMOTHY A. KELLAR
Chancery Clerk
By: Larnell Scarborough, D.C.
318, 3/25, 4/1/2001

NOTICE TO FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS
OF HANCOCK COUNTY
AND ADJOINING COUNTIES
Notice is hereby given that the City of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, shall receive bids from financial institutions for the purpose of keeping the City Funds or any part thereof for a period of two years pursuant to Section 27-105-353, Mississippi Code of 1972 and all amendments thereto. Bids are to be delivered or mailed to the City Clerk, P.O. Box 2550, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39520 on or before the 20th day of April, 2001. The City of Bay St. Louis reserves the right to reject any and all bids.
Witness my signature this 21st day of March 2001
City Clerk
3/25, 3/29/01

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STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS
OF
HATTIE LADNER, DECEASED
NO. 2001-207
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RANDALL LADNER
Administrator
JUNE LADNER CAMP
Administrator
318, 3/25, 4/1/2001

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF WESLEY LADNER
SUMMONS FOR PUBLICATION
NO. 2001-208
TO The Unknown or known heirs at law and all other persons claiming any right, title or interest as heirs of the Estate of Wesley Ladner, deceased. You have been made a respondent in a lawsuit filed in this court by RANDALL LADNER, Jeffrey J. Ladner, June Ladner Camp, Patricia Ladner, Pamela Ladner McGuire, The Petition filed against you is a civil action seeking to have Randall Ladner, Jeffrey J. Ladner, June Ladner Camp, Patricia Ladner, Pamela Ladner McGuire adjudicated as the sole and only heirs at law of the Decedent, Wesley Ladner as fully set out in the Petition on file in the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi.
You are required to mail or hand deliver a written response to the complaint filed against you in this action to Gerald C. Gex, Attorney for Petitioner, whose address is 700 Highway 90, Suite D, Waveland, MS 39576.
Your response must be filed no later than thirty days from the 18 day of March, 2001, which is the date of the first publication of this summons. If your response is not mailed or delivered, a judgment by default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint. You must also file an original of your response with the Clerk of Court within a reasonable time after the date of the first publication of this summons. Issued under my hand and seal of this Court this the 16 day of March, 2001.
(Seal)

TIMOTHY A. KELLAR
Chancery Clerk
By: Larnell Scarborough, D.C.
318, 3/25, 4/1, 4/8/2001

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Entertainment

OLA hosts Celebrity Chefs Celtic Fest

SPECIAL TO THE ECHO

On Sunday, April 1, Our Lady Academy will host the third annual Celebrity Chefs Celtic Fest.

Some 20 chefs from local restaurants will again compete for two top culinary awards, a "People's Choice Award" and a "Critics' Choice Award."

Last year's recipients of these top awards were Trapani's Eatery for "People's Choice" and Casino Magic Bay St. Louis for "Critics' Choice."

In addition, there will be a tremendous array of items and services auctioned off. Entertainment will include The Pat Murphy Band, Kilbrannon Sound, Debbie Beyea and the OLA Choir. To get the Celebrity Chefs Celtic Fest off to a "flying" start, there was an aviation show over the beach area located across from the site of the event.

And, expect the unexpected. It's April Fool's Day. The Mayor, Chief of Police, Fire Chief and Sheriff will be on hand to auction off their jobs for a day.

From the assistant manager for the Mississippi Sea Wolves to possibly your next door neighbor, you'll never guess which most eligible and well known bachelors and bache-

lorettes from our community will be on the auction block.

More than 100 goods and services will be auctioned. There will be something for everyone ranging in value from \$15 to priceless.

Some of the items include beach get-aways; a dinner cruise for two aboard Starship's super yacht; an aerial sightseeing adventure for two; artwork by several famous local artists; High Tea at the Windsor Court; Days of Beauty; a stretch limo ride to and from school for a student and up to nine friends; gourmet progressive dinners; an antique organ, furniture, student-made items from OLA, BCE and St. Paul's; golf packages; sporting event tickets; Brett Favre, Ricky Williams & Peyton Manning autographed footballs; Mississippi Sea Wolves autographed hockey stick; Drs. McMinn & Ledoux orthodontic treatment Valued at \$4,000 and much more.

Delta Representative Gary St. John from Delta's main offices in Atlanta, will be present to award a winner two round-trip tickets wherever Delta Airlines flies within the continental U.S. or Mexico.

There will also be a drawing for a winner of a \$1,000 raffle



Last year's OLA Celebrity Chefs Celtic Fest was an unqualified success. This year, event organizers warn Fest-fans to "expect the unexpected," since the event falls on April Fool's Day.

for the vacation fund. Tickets are \$1 per chance or \$10 for 12. For Delta tickets, only 100 chances will be sold at \$50 per

chance or two for \$80.

The average admission price is \$25 which includes dinner, one cocktail and entertainment.

Sponsorship levels are available. For information, contact Debbie Vernon at 228/463-9129 or 228/493-5923

Elvis Story extended through May 16

Elvis is still in the building. Due to popular demand, "The Elvis Story" has been extended through May 6. Fans old and new have been enjoying the music, the memories and the mania of the man who goes down in history as the "King of Rock n' Roll" at Grand Casino Biloxi.

The Elvis story has been playing to sold-out audiences in the Biloxi Grand Theatre, and we have now extended the run of this popular show through May 6. The Elvis Story is a musical tribute to the King of Rock n' Roll. It chronicles the life and the music of Elvis from his discovery at Sun Record in Memphis, his rapid rise to stardom in Hollywood, and to his later Las Vegas heyday.

All the hip-churning and smooth-crooning is done by Montreal native Martin Fontaine. Martin bears a striking resemblance to Elvis and does a marvelous job recreating the Elvis mystic amongst resplendent sets, a live ten-member chorus, a live band and wears plenty of leather!

Elvis fans can catch the show at Grand Casino Biloxi from Tuesday, March 20 through Saturday, May 6. Shows are at 8 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday, Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 3 p.m. Show is dark on Mondays and Fridays. The Thursday, March 29 show is at 10 p.m. instead of 8 p.m. Tickets are \$24.95.

And don't forget, show goers can receive a free Elvis collector coin with advance ticket purchase to The Elvis Story at the Grand Casino Biloxi box office! Make your ticket purchase now to get your coin while supplies last.

(Show schedule and dark days may vary due to headliners booked in the theatre. Please call the box office at 1-800-WIN-2-WIN, ext. 2804 to check show dates and times.)

Upcoming Entertainment At Biloxi Grand Theatre

March 23 - Andrew "Dice" Clay: Tickets are 34.95 floor/\$29.95 balcony. Uncensored. Must be 21 to attend. Show at 8 p.m. Tickets on sale now.

March 30 - The Charlie

Daniels Band: Tickets are \$19.95 floor/\$14.95 balcony. Show at 8 p.m. Tickets on sale now.

April 13 - Alabama: Tickets are \$39.95 floor/\$34.95 balcony. Show at 8 p.m. Tickets on sale now.

April 20 - The Four Tops: Tickets are \$24.95 floor/\$19.95 balcony. Show at 8 p.m. Tickets on sale now.

April 28 - Sinbad: Tickets are \$29.95 floor/\$2.95 balcony. Show at 8 p.m. Tickets on sale now.

May 4 - Willie Nelson: Tickets are \$34.95 floor/\$29.95 balcony. Show at 8 p.m. Tickets on sale now.

May 9 - 12 - Tony Orlando: Tickets are \$9.95. Show at 8 p.m. Tickets on sale now.

June 1 - Bill Cosby: Tickets are \$42.95 floor/\$37.95 balcony. Shows at 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Tickets on sale now.

June 3 - Merle Haggard: Tickets are \$24.95 floor/\$19.95 balcony. Show at 8 p.m. Tickets on sale now.

June 15 - Martina McBride: Tickets are \$54.95 floor/\$49.95 balcony. Show at 8 p.m. Tickets on sale now.

July 6 - Kenny Rogers: Tickets are \$44.95 floor/\$39.95 balcony. Show at 8 p.m. Tickets on sale 3/19/01.

July 27 - Carrot Top: Tickets are \$19.95. Show at 8 p.m. Tickets on sale 3/21/01.

October 5 - Johnny Rivers: Tickets are \$19.95 floor/\$14.95 balcony. Show at 9 p.m. Tickets on sale now.

October 12 - Pat Benatar: Tickets are \$24.95 floor/\$19.95 balcony. S

Upcoming Entertainment At Backstage Nightclub
March 21, 23, and 24 - Tangee Renee & Club Visage: Show is free, performance time varies. Doors open at 9 p.m.

March 28, 29, 30, 31 - Rhoney: Show is free, performance time varies. Doors open at 9 p.m.

April 11, 13, 14 - Herb Williams: Show is free, performance time varies. Doors open at 9 p.m.

April 18, 20, 21 - Herb Williams: Show is free, performance time varies. Doors open at 9 p.m.

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